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## Stormy Council Session Results In No Water For Golf Course

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

Agawam's last chance to obtain state and federal aid for an irrigation system at Agawam Country Club next year evaporated at a special meeting of Town Council held on Thursday afternoon, May 26th in the Town Clerk's conference room.

Called by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, the special meeting was his third and final attempt to get an okay from the council to apply for grants that would reimburse the town for up to three quarters of the estimated \$600,000 cost of installing an irrigation system at the golf course.

However, hopes for the irrigation system, which all councilors agreed is needed and would eventually have to be installed, dried up without coming before the council for a roll call vote.

After the meeting, Johnson said the irrigation system was a dead issue, "a victim of Agawam politics."

Councilor Vivian Dziardziel questioned the character and integrity of the councilors whose actions resulted in the loss of possible state aid for the town.

Stating that it was the serious responsibility of the council to bring as many state dollars as possible to Agawam, Mrs. Dziardziel added, "These people chose personal vengeance. They don't respect each other and they don't respect the town."

### Several Councilors Caught By Surprise

Notification of Thursday's meeting caught several councilors by surprise after the previous special meeting held May 19th came to an abrupt halt when Councilor Walter Balboni raised a charter objection. The parliamentary move was

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## Many Townsfolk Turn Out For Memorial Day

by Holly Pevzner  
Advertiser News Staff

This past holiday weekend, Agawam decked itself out in its red, white, and blues in honor of all the American men and women-soldiers, sailors, and aircorps-who served their country in times of war.

The Memorial Day events actually began on Veterans' Sunday with the Agawam Congregational Church hosting special services. On Monday, there was a World War I memorial in front of American Legion, Post 185, and both the Springfield Street and Agawam Center cemeteries held observances. The beautiful Memorial Day sky shined upon the 1,500 in attendance of Agawam's commemorative ceremony on May 30th.

Agawam concluded its traditional weekend celebration with the parade from Southworth Paper Company on Main Street to the Veterans' Green in Agawam Center (where the annual winners of the essay and poster contests were announced). Also, speeches were delivered by State Senator Linda Melconian, State Representative Michael Walsh in his final year representing Agawam in Boston, and U.S. Congressman Richard Neal.

### One Of The Largest In Years

In one of the largest parade gatherings of townsfolk in years, residents lined the streets to witness the yearly Memorial Day parade. According to Veterans Service Agent Ruth Bitzas, who has been one of the driving forces in the planning of the Memorial Day events for 12 years, "Agawam is very pro-veteran."

Mrs. Bitzas added that due to the incredible support from the veterans and the citizens of Agawam, each year the numbers of those in attendance have increased.

This year, the honored veterans and all of Agawam's participating organizations marched along the "street of flags." (American flags adorned both sides of Main Street along the parade route).

Walsh made reference to this tribute on Main Street in his speech later on in the day's activities. "It's indicative of the commitment that this town has to remembering the veterans who have served in this community in the various conflicts throughout our history. I can think of no other community that I would rather be a part of than here in the Town of Agawam."

George J. Schlagel from Feeding Hills, a highly-decorated veteran with a 32-year career in the military, was this year's honorary parade Marshal. Schlagel served during World War II, the Korean War, and Vietnam, and has walked away with many military awards.

He has received the Distinguished Flying Cross, seven Air Medals, five Purple Hearts, Bronze and Silver Stars, and various other notable awards. Schlagel, who retired in 1972 from the military, was presented with two citations from Mayor Christopher Johnson and James D. Taylor, president of the Agawam Town Council.

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AT THE VETERANS' GREEN in Agawam Center, Agawam High School band members Mike McCormick and Todd Zern blow "Taps"; IN PHOTO RIGHT, twin sisters Isabel Demmon and Priscilla Peterson, both veterans, place memorial wreath during ceremonies on the Veterans' Green. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



## MEMORIAL DAY - from Page 1...

The ceremony on the Veterans' Green began with the traditional prayer voiced by Reverend Leonard Cowan of St. David's Church, followed by the presentation of a special commemorative flag from the Department of Defense to Veterans' Agent Ruth Bitzas. She said the town has been named a World War II Commemorative Community, and this will continue until Veterans' Day on November 11th, 1995.

Through its duration, Agawam will hold special events to celebrate this honor.

Also, Walsh expressed his gratitude and admiration toward those who fought for "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness." He also described his moving visit to the Vietnam Memorial and to Pearl Harbor.

Senator Melconian, who was not able to march in Agawam's parade, also spoke at the ceremony. She made special reference to those who fought on June 6th, 1944 at Normandy Beach during World War II.

To pay homage to those in Normandy, France during that famous battle, St. John's Church on Main Street will hold a liturgy on Monday, June 6th at 8:00 a.m. All are invited to attend and veterans are asked to proudly display their medals.

**"A Grateful Nation Remembers"**

In the tradition of Agawam's Memorial Day activities, Coast Guard veteran Edward Kellogg announced the winners of the essay and poster contests. Addressing this year's theme, "World War II: A Grateful Nation Remembers," Junior High student **Angela Tassinari** won first prize of \$100 savings bond with her essay. Second and third prizes of \$75 and \$50 bonds were awarded to **Megan Conkey** and **Jennifer Zerra**, respectively.

Middle School student **Melody Serafino** received first place and a \$100 savings bond in the annual poster contest. Second and third place accepted \$75 and \$50 bonds. Those went to **Anthony Goodrow** and **Sarah Lottermoser**. After the children read and displayed their work, Agawam Junior High students **Gina Markowski** and **Allison Scherban** sang "God Bless America" to the crowd.

Veterans and twin sisters Priscilla Peterson (of Agawam) and Isabel Demmon placed the Memorial Wreath on the Veterans' Green for those who died. The casualties were read aloud as the Memorial Bell sounded in remembrance of each



HOLLY PEVZNER

## Holly Pevzner Joins Summer Staff Of Advertiser News

The Agawam Advertiser News is pleased to announce the addition of summer staff member Holly Pevzner. Over the next few months, Ms. Pevzner will be contributing features as well as local news pieces to the Agawam and Southwick/Suffield editions of the Advertiser News.

Ms. Pevzner is a 1993 graduate of Agawam High School. As an honors student there, Holly was editor-in-chief of the award winning school newspaper, the MIRROR, as well as layout editor of the highly-regarded Sachem yearbook.

In addition, she was a member of the National Honor Society and the Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society for high school journalists. Ms. Pevzner was also one of only two high school journalists selected for the Annual Valley Press Club Scholarship last year.

While in high school, she had two pieces of her art work published for the Jimmy Fund Holiday Card campaign. Just recently, Ms. Pevzner had a short children's story published.

In September, she will be a sophomore at Hofstra University in New York. Ms. Pevzner is studying communications there, with a concentration in print journalism and a minor in sociology. While at school, she holds down 15 credits and a part-time job with resident security, while maintaining an impressive grade-point average.

On behalf of all at The Advertiser News, we would like to welcome Holly to our team and wish her the best of luck.

who gave their life for our nation.

Towards the conclusion of the Memorial Day ceremony, Terry's Texas Rangers fired off shots, followed by Agawam High School Band members Todd Zern and Mike McCormick, who played "Taps." Closing the day's events was Rev. Cowan, who led the gathering residents in the singing of "America the Beautiful."

*"A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces, but also by the men it honors, the men it*

*remembers."*

When John F. Kennedy spoke those words, he was referring to all of the Agawams around this nation; all of the small towns and all of the big cities. This Memorial Day 1994, Agawam remembered, as Senator Linda Melconian put it, "... to honor and salute all of those who have served our country in war, especially those who never returned from the battlefield, who sacrificed their lives so that we, as Americans, could live in freedom, dignity, and security."

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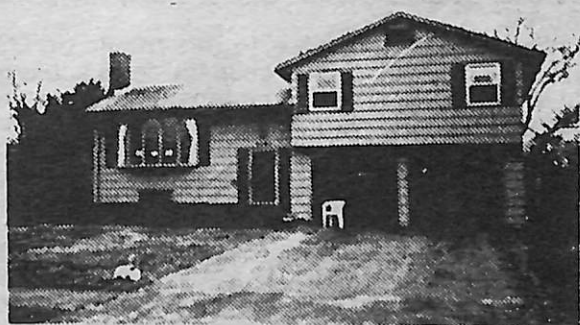
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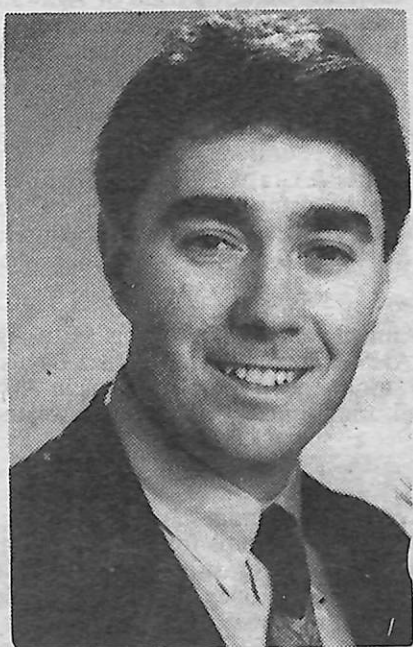
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## Letters To The Editor

### Taxpayers Should Take Look At Golf Course Expenditures

#### To The Editor:

We, the taxpayers, have a right to a public hearing on the "Self-Help" grant being sought by Mayor Johnson. This is referendable, therefore, the two week public notice to advertise a public hearing must be included with the application and sent to the Dept. of Community Services.

The results of the public hearing must be defined. The grant application must have the approval of our Conservation Commission. Mass. General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8C so states. The Conservation Commission must be involved in the decision-making, creating, and dedicating of this land for conservation, recreation, and open land. This is stated in the Self-Help grant.

If all the details involved are put forth, read, and understood, it is my opinion that the Agawam Country Club will not qualify for the Self-Help grant. If the golf course becomes a losing proposition, the taxpayers will be stuck with a headache. The grant states that if you accept the grant, you (meaning the town) can never sell that land.

So, no matter how much the taxpayers lose on the golf course, the problem exists whether the town will even receive this grant for unqualified land or improper infrastructure work. The town, through the Conservation Commission, must dedicate the land for recreation and conservation use only. Chapter 40, Section 8C of the Mass. General Laws clearly states this.

The debate at the special Town Council meeting on May 26th is typical of the political games Mayor Johnson has been playing. When is the council going to understand the separation of powers - the legislative, administrative, and judicial? The council has the authority to tell the Mayor what to do - every duty the Mayor performs is given to him by all the lawmakers, including the town ordinances.

The judicial branch of the town must make decisions for the people as a neutral branch for all of us. The town solicitor tells us he is working for the Mayor. It was sickening at the last council meeting when council President James Taylor was willing to circumvent the rules to win a point. It was so very obvious and so very disappointing to see this.

It was Mayor Johnson who said in his sales pitch for the golf course (10,411 words) that he will "seek funds, step-by-step, as we make progress (for the golf course)." Mayor Johnson and Taylor are like-minded robots when saying this grant would fund 66 percent of the costs for an irrigation system at the golf course. This is not necessarily true.

The Self-Help grant states that "assistance for the acquisition of the conservation land and therefore only passive recreation is permitted on the site(s)." Also, Chapter 40, Section 8C mentions the word "park" but does not mention golf course.

Again, it is important to note that the acquisition of conservation land does not include infrastructure work. A profit-making business (which supporters of the golf course say will eventually happen) is not a conservation or recreation venture. Either way, the taxpayers of this community will be the losers.

This is a case of the tail wagging the dog. We, the people, wish to tell the Mayor to "tell it like it is" when he speaks. The Mayor has been so far afield that it is getting we can't tell the chaff from the corn. The Mayor has been talking about the Self-Help program. Now, the Mayor wants the Urban Self-Help and the water conservation fund program which is available to cities and towns of more than 35,000 people. Self-Help is for cities and towns with less than 35,000 people.

How can anyone make up their minds in all of his confusion?

Valentine R. Moreno  
15 Florida Drive, Agawam

### Turned In A Friend For Dealing Pot At High School

#### To The Editor:

My name is Thomas Ciccolini. I am a Junior at the Agawam High School, and a few weeks ago, I did something that made a lot of people angry. I turned one of my friends in for dealing marijuana at the High School.

You may think that this would make people happy, and a few were, but most of the Junior and Senior classes at the High School disagree on that point, and I have received numerous threats that I had better keep my mouth shut, "or else," and I have been called "NARC" more times than I can count.

Another person who didn't like what I did was the person's father. I found this out the day after I turned him in, when I was at the Agawam Big Y and his father began talking to me in a raised voice, and crowding me out the door. He complained that the kid had been getting help for his addiction, and that I had "ruined his life." I would like to say to his father that I didn't ruin his life, I probably saved it, and maybe someone else's by stopping him from dealing.

Fortunately, I have a lot of people supporting me, and I would like to thank Mr. Furtado, the High School Principal, for listening to me patiently while I told him the "Threats of the Day," Detective Chmielewski, for ensuring my safety, Edward "Doc" Lynch, the school psychologist, and Mr. Cavallo, my guidance counselor, for their moral support, all my friends who have stuck with me, and Lee McKay, the manager of Big Y, where I work, for all his help and understanding.

The main point of my letter is that there is a serious drug problem at the High School, probably more than anyone knows, and it's time to make the school safe for everyone to go to, without having to worry about revenge for a bad drug deal, or what to do if someone offers them drugs. I would like to encourage everyone to report illegal drug use, possession, or sales to Mr. Furtado, or to the Agawam Police Department. These can be made anonymously.

I feel that if this letter gets printed, then maybe some people will decide to possibly save a life, and report illegal drug use.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Thomas M. Ciccolini

### Agawam Little League Gets Good Support For Clean-Up

#### To The Editor:

The Board of Directors of the Agawam Little League wish to express their gratitude for the overwhelming response to our call for assistance on clean-up day.

After the brutal winter that we all endured, the baseball fields and surrounding grounds were in desperate need of attention.

The hard-working crew of volunteers who turned out and gave of their time and talents transformed the facilities, and created a safe, high quality area for our children to play.

The citizens of Agawam have once again shown their dedication to our youth and their willingness to work to make Agawam a nicer place to live and raise a family.

Board of Directors  
Agawam Little League

### Town's Zoning Posture Causes Plenty Of Migraine Headaches

#### To The Editor:

"Agawam Board of Appeals" use permit from (5) to (8) units on Garden Street, Feeding Hills, MA.

Purchase of a golf course and Tuckahoe Farm by the city of Agawam was to post a moratorium on housing and to preserve open space. One hundred homes built in a specific area isn't any different than building (5) homes in (20) areas, consisting of multiple dwellings.

Conversion of "Industrial B" property to residential areas is a compelling disruption of national treasures for personal enhancement.

Almost anything done at a local level by government is apt to be more interesting than almost anything done by government at a national level.

Conversion of "Industrial B" property throughout Agawam will bring much pain and unending pressure, causing a life of worries, nightmares, and a chockful of migraines.

There is much pain and unending pressure imposed by political activism.

Politicos should be reminded of the principle of medicine, "Don't harm the patient."

Dan Courtney  
Feeding Hills

### Time...Something For All Of Us To Seriously Consider...

#### To The Editor:

I would like to share this thought with the people of the community:

"It's not how many years you live, but how you have lived them..."

TIME is a PREDATOR that stalks us all our lives. But TIME is also a COMPANION who goes with us on our journey and reminds us to cherish the moments of our lives...because they will never come again.

Edward Borgatti, Sr.  
Feeding Hills

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Saturday, June 4th  
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the Agawam Junior Women's Club  
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10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 7th  
Annual Jazz Night Concert featuring  
AHS & Jr. High School Jazz Bands  
Outdoors in front of AHS (or in AHS  
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Wednesday, June 8th  
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## FireWise

### by Fire Chief David Pisano Fire Safety On The Job

Our jobs all carry many responsibilities. One of them is making sure your work area is a fire-safe area for both you and your co-workers.

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- Are flammable liquids stored in metal containers, with tight-fitting lids especially designed for flammable liquid storage?
- Are flammable liquids stored away from heat sources?
- Are adequate electrical receptacles provided so that overloaded circuits are avoided?
- Does your place of employment have an emergency fire escape procedure that is periodically reviewed and practiced by all employees?
- Are hallways kept clear of trash or furnishings that could block an exitway in an emergency?
- Are appropriate fire extinguishers easily accessible to all employees in case a fire occurs?
- Are the fire extinguishers regularly inspected and maintained? Do all employees receive instruction on the proper operation of a fire extinguisher?

For additional information, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

### Agawam Republicans To Meet June 4th

The Agawam Republican Town Committee will hold their regular monthly meeting on Saturday, June 4th at the Oak Ridge Country Club in Feeding Hills at 9:00 a.m.

All regular and associate members are asked to attend.

## Town Democrats Ready For Convention



OFFICERS OF THE AGAWAM DEMOCRATIC TOWN Committee will be heading for the State Convention in Worcester this weekend. From left - Ronald A. Herbert, treasurer; Joanne H. Willis, secretary; Barbara Dunn, chairwoman; Meanette Vermes, affirmative action; and Scott Letendre, vice-chairman. Missing: Walter A. Balboni, at-large member. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Beautification Committee Concerned About Illegal Tag Sale Signs Posted Around Town

The Agawam Beautification Committee recently expressed concern over the number of illegal Tag Sale signs being posted on public property. Spring and fall appear to be the "Tag Sale" seasons.

Since the weather has improved, signs announcing upcoming tag sales are being placed on telephone poles at every major intersection in town. The Beautification Committee has even found the signs in the planters that they take such pride and care in planting every year.

The Agawam Town Council adopted an ordinance regulating tag sales in 1992. The ordinance states, among other things, that no tag sale can

be held without first obtaining a permit from the Chief of Police and that "signs promoting tag sales shall not be erected more than two (2) days prior to any tag sale and shall be removed not more than twenty-four (24) hours after the close of any tag sale."

Building Inspector Karl Ferret interprets the ordinance to allow signs to be placed only at the site of the tag sale on private property.

The Beautification Committee asks that the public make themselves aware of this ordinance and assist them in their efforts to beautify the community.

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joined by Councilors Edward Caba and Gary Suffriti, thereby precluding any action on the application until the next regularly scheduled council meeting on June 6th, five days after the deadline for filing the application with the state.

However, council President James Taylor said he reviewed the videotape of the meeting and ruled that only two charter objections, those by Balboni and Caba, had been officially recognized by the chair, thereby paving the way for another special meeting before June 6th.

Before the special meeting, both Balboni and Caba insisted that three charter objections had been raised and it would be illegal to hold another meeting to consider the grant application before June 6th.

Falling one vote short of the six needed to uphold Taylor's ruling, the meeting was found to be in violation of the charter and was adjourned without considering the grant application. Voting with the chair were Council vice-president George Bitzas, David Skolnick, Mrs. Dziardziel, and Nancy Thompson-Gravel.

Although they had not attended the first special meeting of the council, both Mrs. Dziardziel and Mrs. Thompson-Gravel said they had reviewed the videotape and agreed that only two councilors had charter objected.

Councilor Jill Simpson, who also had not attended the first meeting, said after watching the videotape several times it was still not clear to her what had happened. Mrs. Simpson said that although she did not doubt Suffriti's word that he had charter objected, she could not in clear conscience vote one way or the other and abstained from voting.

Councilors who voted against Taylor's ruling were Balboni, Caba, Suffriti, Robert Danie, and Thomas Ennis, Jr.

**Like Days Of Old**

The cramped quarters and the steamy humidity may have contributed to the volatile atmosphere. Tempers flared during the 30-minute meeting, bringing back memories of the sort of council squabbling that often interrupted the meetings of previous councils.

Calling for more professional behavior from her fellow councilors, Mrs. Simpson said watching them reminded her of children fighting.

Although she has no immediate plans to give up her seat on the council, Mrs. Simpson later confirmed that she has spoken about resigning from the council if the bickering and fighting continues. "I did not become a Town Councilor to participate in bickering and fighting. This takes away from the reason we are there," Mrs. Simpson said.

Parliamentary procedure was forgotten as councilors vied for the floor and at times interjected their comments even though they had not been recognized by Taylor.

A visibly angry Balboni challenged Taylor for allowing the special meeting to take place and declared the meeting was illegal under the town charter.

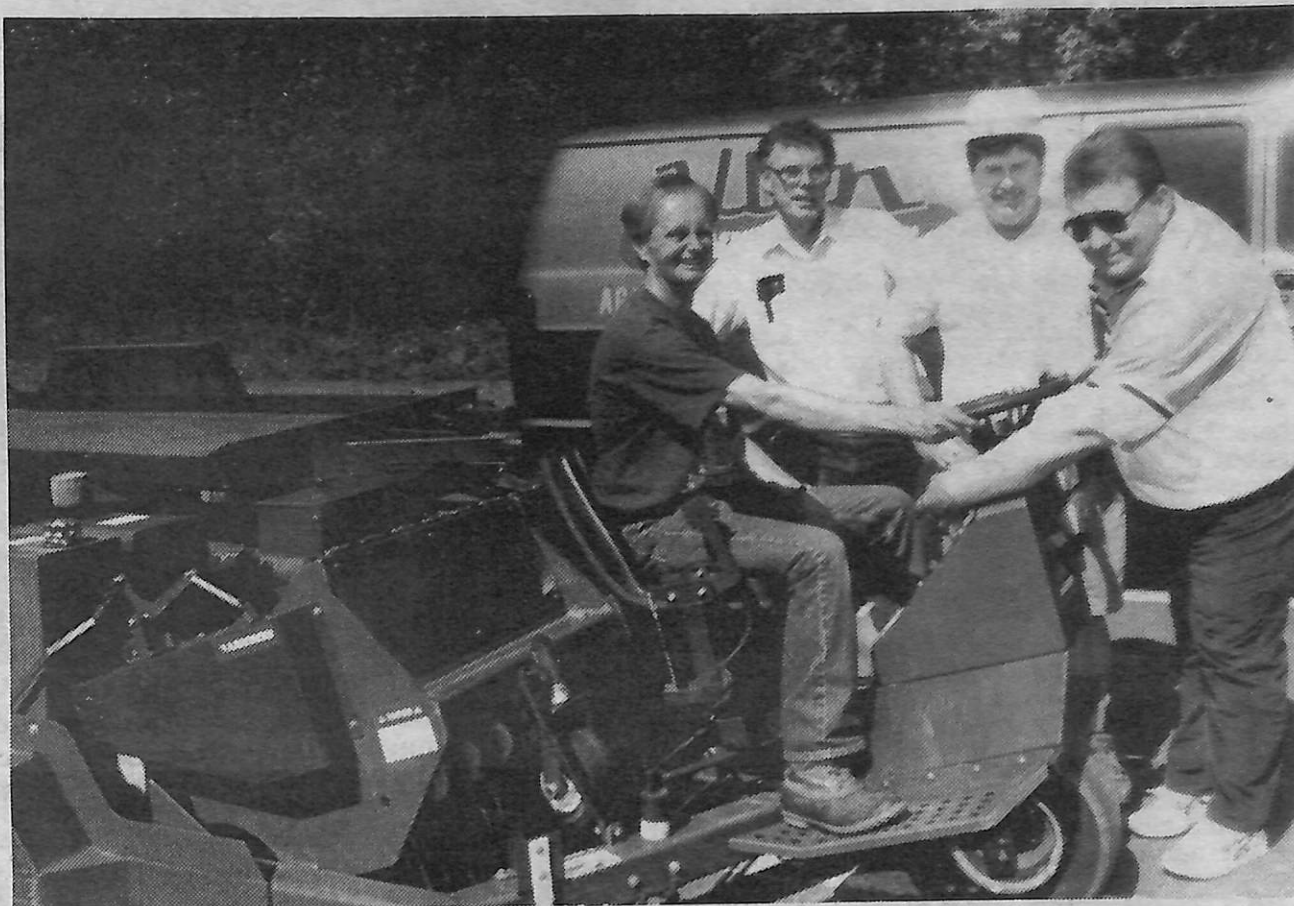
Balboni said the minutes of the meeting showed that three charter objections had been entered, but Taylor countered that he was declaring the minutes to be wrong. Taylor said that contrary to the written minutes, Suffriti was responding to a motion for adjournment rather than joining in with a third charter objection.

Balboni replied that in his 50 years of public service to the town, he had never been associated with a dishonorable act and added, "This is a disgrace to the community."

Balboni was ruled out of order for his remarks attacking the integrity of Taylor and the floor was given to Danie, who said to his understanding, based on the close proximity of his seat to Suffriti's seat at the council table at the Middle School, Suffriti had indeed entered a third charter objection.

Danie said the chairman's call for a motion to adjourn the meeting came within seconds of Balboni's charter objection and did not allow time for other councilors to join Balboni. Danie said he was confident that Suffriti intended to charter object and did join the objection.

Suffriti confirmed that he had intended to make a charter objection and had actually said, "I'll

**Golf Course Receives Big Donation**

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trice it," (meaning to make it a third objection) rather than, "I'll turn it," as a means of making a motion to adjourn the meeting as Taylor later interpreted the remark.

Suffriti said he was willing to take a lie detector test to support his contention that a third objection had been entered.

**Disappointed In Some Councilors**

Suffriti later said he was disappointed that some of his fellow councilors did not believe him and voted to accept Taylor's ruling on what had occurred at the previous meeting. Suffriti said not one of the councilors who voted with Taylor had given him the courtesy of a phone call to clarify what had happened.

Although he said he feels no animosity toward the councilors who sided with Taylor, Suffriti said he would have respected the word of a fellow councilor if the situation had been reversed.

"Shame on them," Suffriti said, "for not even giving me the courtesy of a phone call."

Feeding Hills resident John Kida, who attended the stormy session, said he was disappointed that the council did not favor applying for the grants. "There's no guarantee that we even would have been considered for the grant."

Kida said with a little loving care, the course could compete with St. Anne's Country Club down the road in a few years.

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IN TOP PHOTO, proudly leading the color guard from the Agawam-American Legion in the Annual Memorial Day Parade is Commander Mario L'Archeveque. IN PHOTO BELOW, women's veterans proudly hold their banner as they march down Main Street. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



## Melconian Cancels Annual Family Picnic For This Fall

State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has announced that the Annual Family Benefit Picnic she has sponsored for the past 12 years will not be held this fall.

Since the Eastern States Exposition has expanded its schedule to three weekends in September, a picnic in October is too late and the weather too unpredictable. The Polish American Club, the only cost-effective site that can accommodate the size of the picnic and the special parking for the elderly, is unavailable.

Over the years, the Annual Benefit Picnic grew and grew as a happily anticipated fall event in the Greater Springfield area. From great-grandparents to great-grandchildren, there was something for everyone—prizes, raffles, games, and plenty of good food. Having had only one rainy day in 12 years (a torrential downpour), the picnic lucked out as it was generally held on the last Sunday in September.

Besides the fun for everyone, the major purpose of the picnic was to provide proceeds, after expenses, for the George and Virginia Scholarship Fund. Senator Melconian established this fund in memory of her late parents. Over the years the scholarship committee has awarded over \$15,000 to help students of the Hampden District further their education.

"In 1993, I sponsored a Charity Golf Open to benefit the three battered women's shelters in Hampden County. The event was very successful. This year, I have decided that I will host a Second Annual Linda J. Melconian Charity Golf Open," stated Melconian.

She continued, "The proceeds of the golf tournament, after expenses, will again benefit the battered women's shelters: Arch in Springfield, New Beginnings in Westfield, and Companeras in Holyoke. The proceeds of the large raffle held at the golf tournament will be used to endow the George and Virginia Melconian Scholarship Fund."

Melconian concluded, "I want to thank all the past supporters of the Annual Benefit Picnic. I really appreciated your continued support each year, and hope your strong commitment to education will continue."

### LEGAL NOTICE

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 16, 1994 at 7:00 PM in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 680 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Roy Benjamin for a Request for Waiver of Sidewalks on Lancaster Drive, within the Willow Glenn Estates subdivision.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

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# Agawam Proud Of Memorial Day Parade



STATE SENATOR LINDA J. MELCONIAN and STATE REP. MICHAEL P. Walsh present a Memorial Day Proclamation from Governor William F. Weld to Bernard McClouskey of the State Office of Veterans' Affairs on the town's Veterans' Green on Memorial Day. Looking on is Mayor Christopher C. Johnson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



U.S. CONGRESSMAN RICHARD NEAL (D-Springfield) walks down Main Street during the town's Annual Memorial Day Parade. Neal walked the parade route with Town Clerk Richard Theroux (right). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Towns Of Agawam & West Springfield To Celebrate Flag Day Together

Council Vice President George Bitzas announced that the towns of Agawam and West Springfield will again celebrate Flag Day together.

The festivities will take place on June 14th at 10:00 a.m. in Rocky's parking lot. This is the second year that elected officials and residents from both communities will come together in a neighborly fashion to honor our National symbol.

Last year, the two communities combined the naming and dedication of the Sullivan-Morgan Bridge with the Flag Day ceremonies for a very successful event, Bitzas said. A large turn-out is hoped for again this year.

Bitzas has sent out invitations to state and federal officials as well as local officials from both towns. Invitations have also been extended to church, civic organizations, and local schools. The public is also welcome and encouraged to attend.

This year, Bitzas will ask the Agawam Veterans Council to get involved in planning the festivities. The Commander of the American Legion, Mario L'Archereque, will perform the retirement of the flag ceremonies.

More information about the program will be in next week's AAN, said Bitzas.



TOWN RESIDENT GEORGE J. SCHLAGEL was the 1994 honorary parade marshal for the Town's Memorial Day Parade. Schlager received citations from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson (right) and Town Council President James D. Taylor.

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150,000	15,000	75,000	30,000	500,000	1,000	319
175,000	17,500	87,500	35,000	500,000	1,000	380
200,000	20,000	100,000	40,000	500,000	1,000	416
225,000	22,500	112,500	45,000	500,000	1,000	448
250,000	25,000	125,000	50,000	500,000	1,000	474
275,000	27,500	137,500	55,000	500,000	1,000	493
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# Campbell Vows Tough Campaign Vs. Drunk Drivers

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

Barely a week after taking over from retired Chief Stanley Chmielewski, Robert Campbell has pretty much made the office his own with framed diplomas on the wall behind his desk and examples of his wife Marianne's needlework on the side walls.

To his right, Campbell is met with an Irish blessing done in cross-stitch and whenever he turns to work at his computer station, Campbell faces the serenity prayer rendered in embroidery.

A week into his new job as Agawam's chief of police, Campbell is focusing his attention on finalizing the budget that will take the department through his first year as the town's top law enforcement officer.

## Expects Budget To Top Last Year's

While the exact numbers for fiscal year 1995 are not yet in, Campbell said he expected the budget would top last year's \$2.2 million price tag for running the department, partly due to a contract increase of 4.5 percent negotiated by the police unions with the town.

Currently, the department has positions for 36 patrolmen, seven sergeants, and two captains.

While the Mayor has the final say on whether or not to fill the vacant captain's position caused by Campbell's promotion, Campbell said he needs a replacement to maintain his command staff. Campbell said he was meeting with Personnel Director Susan Rush this week to discuss filling the slot. Campbell said this will result in a domino effect as a sergeant is moved up to captain, thereby making room for the promotion of a patrolman to sergeant.

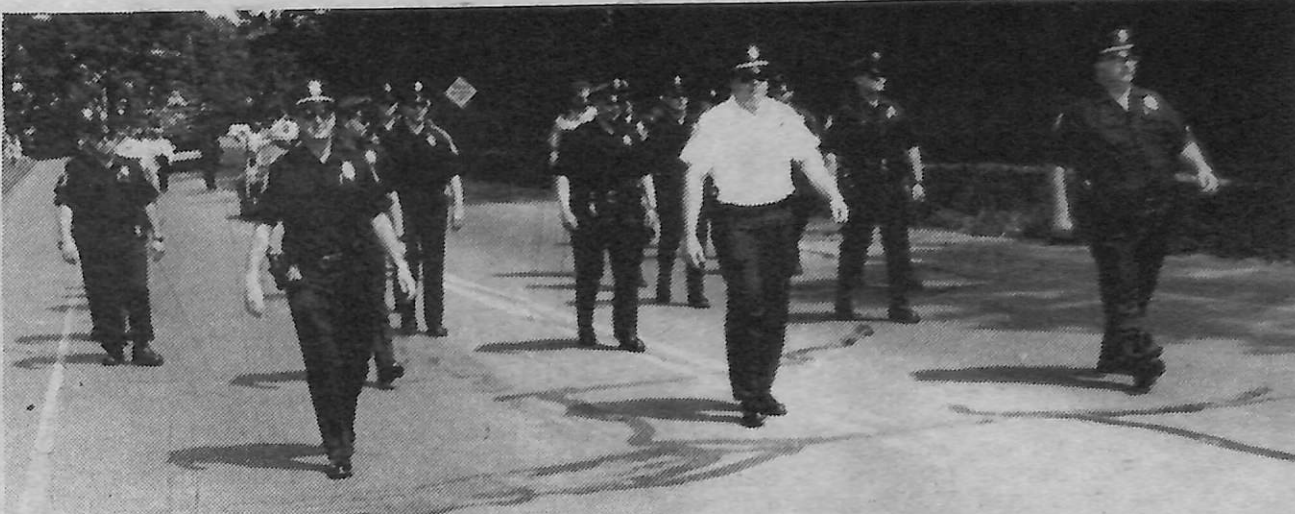
One of his top priorities will be to find funding in the budget to begin implementing his short term goal of putting the department on-line with a computerized automatic record keeping system. This will include a computer assisted dispatch system.

Presently, research into crime and manpower statistics must be done by an outdated and labor intensive hand search through the records. This leaves the department without the capability to use statistical analysis to forecast trends in crime and to predict the best possible use of manpower in meeting the policing needs of the community, according to the new chief.

Campbell said without statistics at his fingertips on the type and number of calls received, as well as the amount of time spent on each call, it is difficult to determine what the ideal number of officers is to provide police coverage for the town.

The present filing format has not been updated since 1978 and it does not provide an easy way to look at the time of day or the day of the week calls are being answered, he noted.

While it is still too early into his tenure as chief to discuss any specifics in terms of long term goals, Campbell said bringing personal computer technology to the task of record keeping is the



**NEW AGAWAM CHIEF OF POLICE ROBERT CAMPBELL (center) leads members of the town's Police Department in the Annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31st.**

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

first step in his vision of bringing the department into the 1990's and the age of technology.

Campbell said his philosophy of community policing is based on providing what the community wants from its law enforcement. "People tend to confuse community policing with programs instead of philosophy," Campbell said. "Community policing is no more and no less than providing what the citizens want."

## Treatment Rather Than Punishment

Pointing to the changing public attitudes toward drinking and drunkenness, Campbell said it was a crime to be drunk in public when he first joined the force. As society came to view alcoholism as a disease, treatment rather than punishment was seen as the answer to drunk driving.

According to Campbell, public outcry from groups like MADD and SADD (outraged over the carnage on the highways) has caused a shift in community values. Now, ever stricter laws against drunk driving are resulting in jail terms and loss of license to drive.

Firmly committed to enforcing drunk driving laws and strict enforcement to combat underage drinking, Campbell said he is working closely with the School Department. In recent months, arrests of teens for possession of alcohol has led to several athletes being suspended from participating in school sports, he said.

Campbell said parents must understand that if they allow teens to drink or if they provide alcohol to teens, they are leaving themselves open to civil lawsuits and criminal prosecution.

"We'll be out vigorously enforcing the laws against underage drinking. We want to see everyone come through the graduation season safely. We want to see them all attending their first semester at college," Campbell said.

As part of his community policing strategy, Campbell hopes to create more interest in the Neighborhood Crimewatch Program first initiated here 20 years ago. "We encourage anyone interested to give us a call. It's an integral part of community policing," Campbell noted. "The pro-

gram is only as effective as the neighborhood wants it to be," Campbell said.

The unsolved case of the murder of Lisa Ziegert two years ago remains a top priority, with significant resources at the local, state, and federal level dedicated to finding her killer.

In addition to state police from District Attorney William Bennett's office, Agawam Detectives Daniel Ciak and Wayne Macey remain assigned to the case. Campbell said he is in almost daily contact with Special Agent Cliff Hedges of the FBI.

Campbell said the investigation is on-going with witnesses still being interrogated and every avenue is being pursued. "We don't want to be sleeping at the switch when that one piece of evidence comes in that could be easily missed," Campbell said. The investigation has reached across the country to Washington State, and has gone as far as tracking a vehicle to St. Petersburg, Russia, he said.

Campbell said he thinks someone in town knows more than they have so far been willing to admit. "I find it hard to believe that something like this has happened and the person hasn't given himself away to someone."


Campbell said over the next few months, he wants to clarify to townspeople that the Police Department is here to serve the community. "The Police Department should be a part of the community, not apart from it," Campbell stated. "We want to be a pro-active force trying to address issues before they turn into problems."

## Carrying On Family Tradition

When he joined the force 21 years ago at the urging of family friend Thomas Russo, Sr., Campbell was carrying on a family tradition going back to the days when policing in Agawam was done by an elected constabulary. In the early 1900's, Campbell's grandfather wore badge number three (showing that he had come in third in the election out of a field of seven and he later served as an auxiliary policeman).

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## Summer Driving Can Be A Job But Please, Use Your Head!!!

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"Summer is the busiest time of year for road work," said Peter Spedero, Auto Travel Manager. "By driving cautiously through construction zones, motorists can reduce the risk of mishaps for themselves and highway workers."

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety estimates that more than 50,000 construction-zone accidents occur annually on the nation's major roads. Nationally, approximately 700 persons are killed each year in road construction accidents.

The AAA Foundation also cites these statistics: 60 percent of construction-zone accidents involve vehicles striking other vehicles; 20 percent involve vehicles striking highway maintenance and construction workers. While fewer than 30 percent of all construction-zone accidents occur at night, they account for 50 percent of the fatalities.

"Driving too fast, inattention to signs, signals, and markers, and failure to yield are major contributors to construction-zone accidents," said Peter Spedero.

When encountering road work, AAA Auto Club of Pioneer Valley urges motorists to slow down, obey all signs and signals, watch for pedestrians and work vehicles, change lanes with caution, and expect sudden stops.

"When possible, it is best to avoid construction zones by taking appropriate detours," Peter Spedero said. "The Automobile Club of Pioneer Valley has information on major road construction projects across the nation available free to members when they request a Triptik customized travel routing."

AAA Auto Club of Pioneer Valley's Auto Travel Counselors will mark detailed maps with information on major road projects and can suggest alternate routes, when available.

## Taylor Urges Passage Of Bond Money For Bridge, Road Repairs

Agawam City Council President James D. Taylor, candidate for State Representative from the Third Hampden District, met at the State House last week with Senate Ways and Means Committee staff members to urge the passage of H. 4905, which would authorize \$300 million in Chapter 90 bond authorizations for cities and towns. The bill was passed in the House of Representatives on May 12th, and is awaiting approval in the Senate.

Taylor said that monies from this authorization are sorely needed to repair roads and bridges damaged by last winter's severe weather. He said that the House-passed bill would provide \$1,028,160 to Agawam; \$422,556 to Blandford; \$439,823 to Granville; \$169,675 to Russell; \$521,960 to Southwick; and \$265,623 to Tolland.

Taylor urged the Senate Ways and Means Committee to act quickly on this bill to prevent the loss of this construction season.

"It would be devastating to wait until next year to begin repairs," said Taylor, "simply because the Legislature was slow to act."

## AAN Has Openings...

The Agawam Advertiser News is seeking a driver for its delivery to newsstands and to the Agawam Post Office on Thursdays and Saturdays. Must be flexible on Thursdays due to printers' schedule. Saturdays are strictly in the morning. Reliability is a must. We can provide vehicle on Thursdays; if you use your own vehicle, it should be a van or small pickup. For more info, call 786-7747 or 786-8137. Ask for Ric Sardella. References necessary.

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## Pasta Dinner To Be Hosted By Jim Taylor

A pasta and meatball dinner will be hosted by State Representative candidate and Agawam City Council President James D. Taylor on June 5th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Polish American Club of Agawam, located on Route 57 in the Feeding Hills section of town.

"It will be a great family event," said Taylor. "I look forward to meeting the people of Agawam, Southwick, Granville, Tolland, Blandford, and Russell." Taylor is seeking the seat for the Third Hampden District.

Taylor said it will be a great opportunity for old friends to meet and new acquaintances to be made. Advance tickets are available from The Taylor Committee office at 786-0300. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to DARE.

Best local news...

CAMPBELL - from Page 10...

Before the Secret Service took over the responsibility of guarding the President, Campbell said his uncle, Thomas Lee, was one of the agents of the Bureau of Investigations for the Justice Department (the precursor of the FBI) who served as a body guard to President Roosevelt. Lee was later appointed postmaster in Willamantic, Connecticut.

This fall, Campbell's son, Jeffrey, will carry the tradition into the next century as he enrolls in the Criminal Justice Department at Westfield State College. Supportive of his son's decision, Campbell noted, "It's been a good career for me."

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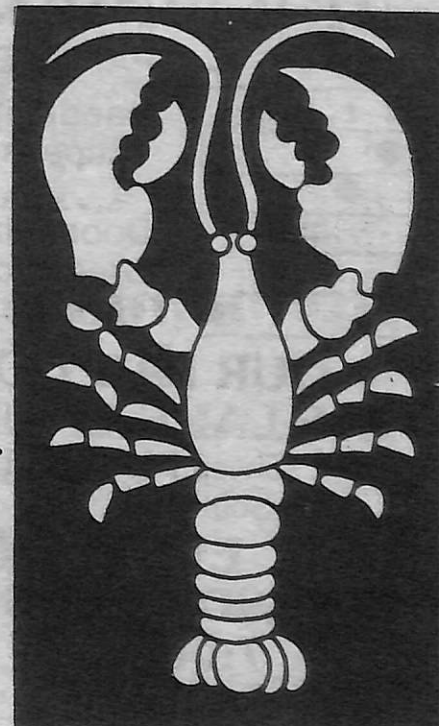
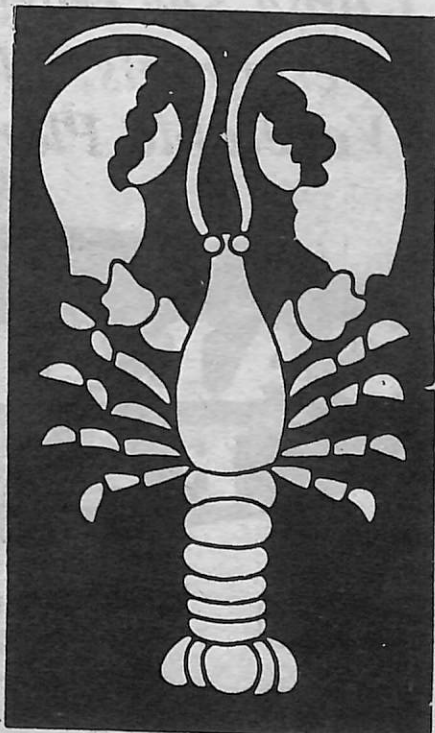
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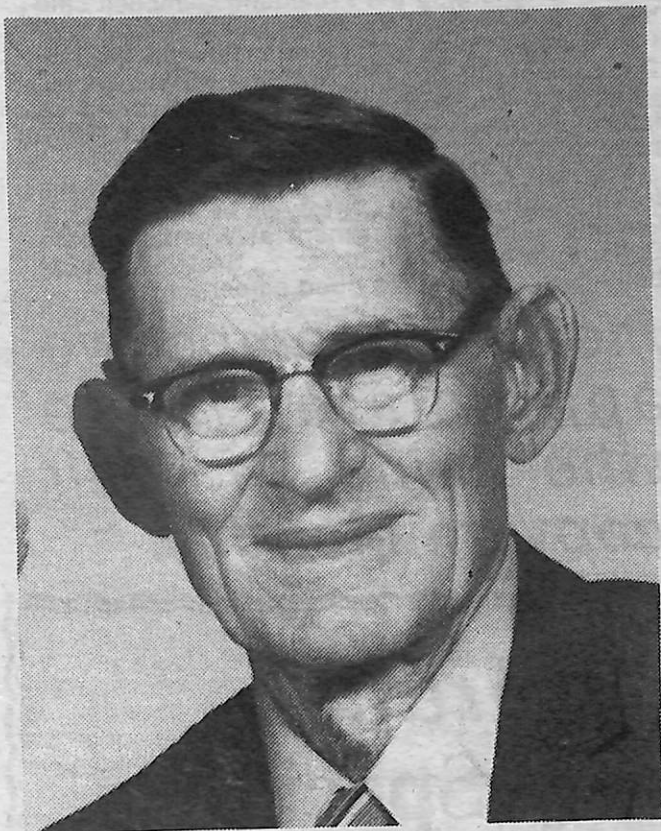
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## Agawam Obituaries



**THEODORE A. PROGULSKE**

### Theodore A. Progulske

Theodore A. Progulske, 99, formerly of 21 Meadowbrook Manor, Agawam, died in a local nursing home.

He was one of the oldest members of Carpenters Union Local 108, with 76 years' affiliation. He worked for 52 years at the former E.J. Pinney Construction Co. Inc. in Springfield, and retired in 1963.

Born in Meriden, Connecticut, he lived in Springfield most of his life. He attended the former Technical High School. During the 1920's, he played semi-professional baseball with local teams.

He was a member of the Ship Builders Association of Philadelphia during World War I, and in later years chaired the Troop 24 Boy Scout Committee in Springfield.

He was a communicant and vestryman at Christ Church Cathedral in Springfield, and served on its building fund committee.

He moved to Agawam 25 years ago, and was active in Agawam Golden Agers Chapter I and the Senior Center.

His wife of 70 years, the former Florence Nooney, died in 1989.

He leaves three sons, Theodore A. Jr. of Agawam, Dr. Donald of Leverett, and Richard G. of Middlefield; three sisters, Eugenia Whittle and Helen Fuller of Springfield, and Bernice Tenorwicz of Wilbraham; six grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Colonial Funeral Home and the church, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery, both in Springfield. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cathedral Memorial Fund at 35 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA 01103.



**THE FUNERAL OF LONGTIME AGAWAM BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADER John N. Magovern** was held at the Agawam First Baptist Church on Friday, May 27th. A horse-drawn carriage led the procession to the Agawam Center Cemetery following the service. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Ernest E. Desmarais

Ernest E. "Jack" Desmarais, 85, of 83 Bridge Street, Agawam, a 40-year purchasing agent for Adams & Ruxton Construction Co. in West Springfield, died at home.

Born in Agawam, he was a lifelong resident. He was a communicant of St. Theresa Church, and belonged to the West Springfield Knights of Columbus.

He leaves his wife, the former Stella T. Federowicz; a son, Donald E. of Granville; three

grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

His first wife, Ethel Slaven Desmarais, died in 1967.

The funeral will be held Thursday morning, June 2nd, at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home and the church, with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Easter Seal Society, 1111 Elm Street, West Springfield, MA 01089.

### Rita Kelsey

Rita (Trombley) Kelsey, 63, of 1370 Springfield St., Agawam, a former housekeeper at the Heritage Hall Nursing Home, died in Springfield's Mercy Hospital.

Born in Springfield, she lived in Charlemont, and was a longtime resident of Feeding Hills. Her husband, Edson W. Kelsey, died in 1974.

Mrs. Kelsey leaves her mother, Sylvia Hitchcock Trombley of Agawam; two sisters, Arlene Drewnowski of Feeding Hills, and Lena Perry of Greenfield.

The funeral was at Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home, with burial at Bozrah Cemetery in Hawley.

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## Agawam Republicans Join In Support For Treasurer Joe Malone

Saying that, "Our mission is to help make sure that state government in Massachusetts is on the side of this great American Dream ... that it serves the people of Massachusetts as they want and deserve to be served ... and that it works for them, not for a bunch of Beacon Hill insiders who have stayed too long," Joe Malone recently announced in his bid for a second and last term as Treasurer and Receiver General of Massachusetts.

Joined by supporters from around Western Massachusetts, Malone told a crowd at the Springfield Marriott, "Returning government to the people ... putting Massachusetts back on the side of the middle class family and the American Dream ... this has been our fight for these last four years. With your help, we will carry the fight forward to the next four years."

Introduced by Mayor William Hamilton of Holyoke and Mayor Christopher Johnson of Agawam, the 39 year-old State Treasurer said, "In my second term I want to continue to work with Governor Weld and Lt. Governor Cellucci as a fiscal watchdog ... to protect against the legislature going back to its big spending ways. That's the kind of work it will take four more years to finish. That's why I believe the people of Massachusetts are going to give us four more years ... to finish the job."

"Good efficient government means that a family's taxes won't go up, maybe so there will be a few extra dollars at the end of the month for the mortgage, or to buy the kids new clothes or books, or to take them on a vacation in the summer." Kris Kos, a City Councilor from Holyoke, also spoke at Malone's announcement.

Listing some accomplishments of his first term in office, Malone said, "The operating budget of the Treasurer's office is over 35% smaller than it was before we took office. Our pension funds have gone from among the worst performing funds in the nation to among the best. And our state lottery is considered the finest in the world. ... We've even cut the cost of processing a check for the Commonwealth from about 22 cents per check to about 7 cents per check ... Those pennies add up to \$2 million every year."

"By cutting needless jobs that just ate up tax dollars ... by doing the state's work smarter and more professionally ... by ending the fiscal shell game and restoring integrity to Massachusetts' finances ... and by reinventing government ... we've helped to make Massachusetts a better place," Malone said.

He also added that, "We developed innovative initiatives such as the 'Middle Class American Dream,' which helps middle class families to purchase new homes, and 'Saving Makes Cents,' which teaches our elementary schoolchildren about saving for the future. In our second term we can find ways to make the money we spend work harder, go farther, and do more. Recently, we proposed a merger of pension funds that will save us \$15 million a year. I want to make that proposal a reality."

In announcing his candidacy for a second term, Malone told his supporters, "We have so much more we can do. And the way we will prevail is by reminding people that this is not a struggle between Republicans and Democrats. It's between the forces of positive change and the forces of the political past. That's why in 1990 the working people of Massachusetts rejected the old bloated-government, high-taxes approach ... and in 1994 they are going to reject it again."

"Four years ago the working families of this state said, 'We want efficient, effective delivery of services so that, yes, we can take care of our senior citizens, educate our children and help the truly needy ... but we can also keep the American Dream of economic opportunity alive and well,'" Malone concluded.

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AGAWAM MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON (right) and Holyoke Mayor William Hamilton show their support for State Treasurer Joseph Malone (center) at the GOP Convention in Springfield.

**SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL TIME:** We will be forwarding our Annual Subscription Renewals at this time for the period July 1st, 1994 to July 1st, 1995. The price is again \$17.50 if paid before July 1st; \$20.50 if paid after July 1st.

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## Residents Urged To Participate In Hazardous Waste

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The collection will take place in the parking lot of Agawam High School, 760 Cooper Street, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Only town residents are able to participate in this collection, and proof of residency will be required.

### WHAT TO BRING

Household hazardous waste no longer needed; five gallons or 50 pounds maximum per household; preferably items kept in original sealed containers.

For example:

- Oil-based marine or lead paints and strippers.
- Paint thinner, solvents, stains and varnishes.
- Solvent adhesives.
- Lighter fluid.
- Waste fuels (kerosene, gasoline).
- Antifreeze, engine degreaser.
- Carburetor cleaner, brake fluid.
- Transmission fluid, car wax.
- Poisons, insecticides.
- Weed killers, mothballs.
- Wood preservatives.
- "No Pest" strips, flea powder.
- Hobby supplies, artist supplies.
- Rubber cement, airplane glue.
- Fiberglass resins.
- Photo chemicals, chemistry sets.
- Cleaning supplies.
- Furniture, floor and metal polishes.
- Oven, toilet bowl and drain cleaners.
- Rug and upholstery cleaners.
- Spot removers.
- Dry cleaning solvents.
- Septic tank degreasers.
- Swimming pool chemicals.
- Dry cell batteries.

- Aerosol cans.

### HOW CAN I BE SAFE IN TRANSPORTING MATERIALS?

Tighten caps and lids, leaving materials in original labeled containers.

- Pack containers in sturdy upright boxes and pad with newspaper.
- Sort and pack separately: paint and pesticides; household cleaners.
- Avoid spills and do not place in a garbage bag.

- NEVER MIX CHEMICALS.

• Pack your car and drive directly to the site. NEVER SMOKE while handling hazardous materials.

- Stay in your car. You will be given specific instructions at the site.

### WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Latex paint.
- Ammunition, fireworks, explosives.
- Radioactive wastes.
- Infectious & biological wastes.
- Prescription medicines/syringes.

## Clip & Save These Phone Numbers Of Your Elected Members Of Town Council

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For used oil, bring to DPW Garage, 1347 Main Street, anytime Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., OR Saturday, June 11th, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For more information, call the Agawam Health Department at 786-0400.

### LEGAL NOTICE

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### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1994 at 6:30 P.M. o'clock, for all parties interested in the appeal of MICHAEL LYNCH, who is seeking to overturn a written decision of the Building Inspector and subsequent issuance of a Building Permit (No. 302-93); which allows for the construction of a single family residence at the premises identified as LOT NO. 7, LETENDRE AVENUE.

By order of the Board of Appeals,  
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## Families

### Senior Center Friends Hold Pancake Breakfast



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBERS, from left - Matt Blackak, Ed Judkins, and Ed Disco volunteered their services to make pancakes at a breakfast sponsored by the Friends of the Agawam Senior Center. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE ALHEIM SISTERS, Kelsey and Melissa, attended the pancake breakfast sponsored by the Friends of the Agawam Senior Center. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LIL DOYLE (right), president of the Friends of the Agawam Senior Center, enjoys her pancake breakfast at the Senior Center with Al & Elaine Taupier. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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### Workshop On Fathers To Be Held At Agawam Pub. Library

It is not too late to register for a multi-week series of workshops entitled "Men Among Men: Across the Generations of Fathers," to be held at the Agawam Public Library on the following Wednesday evenings: June 8th, 15th, and 22nd. All workshops will run from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

This series will focus on meeting men's needs for fathering. The invitation is for men to gather and discuss what is important for them in father/child relationships. The focus for each week's meeting will be determined by the group.

The facilitator for this series is Daniel Pender, M.A., M.F.T. Mr. Pender is an associate member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, with a M.A. from St. Joseph's College.

If you are interested in attending any or all of these free workshops or would like additional information, please call the library at 789-1550.

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## Forest Park Zoo Has Much To Crow About In Summer Of '94

The Forest Park Zoo in Springfield is in the midst of what is—without a doubt—the most exciting, enjoyable, and promise-filled time of its existence. Come to the Zoo in Forest Park and you will see:

- \* Many new and enhanced exhibits, including the Zoo's adorable baby bear, Bandy, and his new baby bear buddy; a delightful deer hands-on/walk-through area; a wonderful gibbons (great ape) exhibit now under construction; a young new South American cougar; and nearly 200 other precious animals.

- \* Scores of newborn baby arrivals, including several baby llama, capybara, little goats, and (of course) the aforementioned Bandy.

- \* Thanks to a great team of volunteers, the Zoo now has many enhancements to its "Gift Shop," with lots of new, moderately-priced offerings.

- \* Delicious food at the Concession Stand, which is being run by White Glove Caterers.

- \* Enjoy taking a ride on the "Zoo Train" throughout the park for only \$1.

All of the above is made possible through the increasing support of many individuals, including two grants from the Commonwealth's Urban Self Help Program; generous gifts from the corporate and business community; great help from civic groups such as area Rotary Clubs and the Springfield Garden Club; and help from many nursing homes, starting with Mediplex in East Longmeadow.

In addition, the media has been increasingly generous in providing excellent television and newspaper coverage. And, most importantly, individual participating and financially contributing volunteers are the lifeblood of the Zoo's existence.

These great volunteers include a hard-working Board of Directors, over 50 Junior Zookeepers, Committee members, and hundreds "like you" who deeply care. In addition, the Zoo's small staff works with enthusiasm and dedication.

The Zoo is NOW open seven days a week. Please visit as soon as possible and bring your children, friends, neighbors, and associates.

What's more, the Zoo is planning a "Grand New Zoo" opening for this month after all the enhancements are completed. The staff of the Zoo guarantees you a most happy and enjoyable visit!

Beyond all the aforementioned progress that is being made possible in great part because of your caring and support, the Forest Park Zoo is deeply committed to make major contributions on behalf of the precious animal kingdom with whom we share this small planet.

The staff believes in the words of a great conservationist who said, "In the end we conserve only what we love; we love only what we understand; we understand only what we are taught."

If you are a member of a club or organization that would like a guest speaker at one of your meetings, please call (413) 733-2251 and ask for Parker E. Hodgman, president of the Forest Park Zoological Society; the society has an up-to-date slide show, and a member of the society will be delighted to address your group.

Several enjoyable and rewarding volunteer opportunities exist at the Zoo. Help is needed in such areas as the Gift Shop, landscape maintenance, animal care, fundraising, Zoo tours, office help, and in the volunteer Information Center.

Please call Barbara Lewis, Director of Operations, at (413) 733-2251 for further information.

## James Laudato Gets Accolades From Army

SSG. James Laudato of 42 Sherwood Drive, Agawam, a member of Company A 1st Battalion 104th Infantry of the Army National Guard located in Agawam, was awarded the Army Achievement Medal.

Laudato received the award for being part of a five-man team from his company that competed in the 52nd annual commemorative Bataan Memorial Death March at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico.

The team represented the state and finished the 27.5 mile race over hilly desert terrain in just under 5½ hours. They placed second in the National Guard light category and seventh overall. Over 240 teams from around the world competed.

In civilian life, Laudato is a student at Holyoke Community College. He serves in the Guard as an infantryman and squad leader.

## Support Groups For Bereaved Available

"Forastiere's OPTIONS ... for a brighter tomorrow," support groups for anyone in the community who is grieving the death of a loved one, are offered free of charge every month by the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes.

As part of their continuous commitment to help those who are grieving, the Forastiere's offer two different kinds of support groups: one designed especially and solely for those who have lost a spouse, and another, open to anyone who is grieving a death.

A support group solely for spouses will be held on Wednesday, June 8th, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main St., Agawam; and a second group is available on Tuesday, June 28th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 181 Elm St., in East Longmeadow.

A support group which is open to anyone who is grieving a death will be held on Wednesday, June 8th, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main St., in Agawam.

These support groups are on-going, 12 months a year. There is no pre-registration, nor commitment to attend. Participants need merely to attend any meeting they choose.

All groups are offered free of charge by the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes and are facilitated by staff Grief Counselor/Educator, Lila Forastiere. For further information, call 733-5311.

## Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

**Monday, June 6th:** Salisbury steak, egg noodles, broccoli & cauliflower, oatmeal bread, banana.

**Tuesday, June 7th:** Birthdays & anniversaries—Stuffed cabbage, mashed potatoes, corn, Canadian oat bread, cake.

**Wednesday, June 8th:** Roast turkey, stuffing with gravy, butter-nut squash, whole wheat bread, mixed fruit.

**Thursday, June 9th:** Cream of broccoli soup, chunky chicken salad, tossed salad, whole wheat bread, tapioca pudding with whipped topping.

**Friday, June 10th:** Baked fish, rice pilaf, pickled beets, rye bread, prunes.



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## Annual Plant Sale Held By Agawam Garden Club



**MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM GARDEN CLUB** held their Annual Plant Sale at the Captain Charles Leonard House on May 21st. From left - Marcia Fleming, Pam Jacobsen, Nancy "Rainbow" Shaer, Barbara Farrington, Elaine Smith, and Kathy Norris. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

## Local Businesses, Groups Answer Call By Beautification Committee For Planters

Nine local businesses and civic organizations have answered the plea of the Agawam Beautification Committee and have volunteered to "adopt" planters throughout the Town.

Earlier in the spring, the Beautification Committee sent letters to approximately 250 businesses located in Agawam asking for assistance in maintaining the Committee's planters.

Interested businesses were to contact Nancy Pryce of the Agawam Recreation Department. Within one week, all nine planters had been adopted and more calls kept coming in.

The volunteers include Gerry and Noella Coderre of the Agawam Public Market, Hampden

County Chiropractic, Riverside Park, Conrad Fafard, Tim Daggett Gold Medal Gymnastics, Luigi's Pizza and Pasta, Fini's Plant Farm, the Corner Deli, and the Agawam Junior Women's Club.

The "Adopters," as they are being called, will be responsible for weeding the planters, removing litter, and watering if necessary. The planters will continue to be planted by Zoafia Demko and her hard-working helpers.

Also, for the second consecutive year, the Work Opportunity Center has volunteered to adopt Borgatti Park. Plaques identifying the "Adopters" for each planter are being donated by CHH

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Given the success of the "Adopt-A-Planter" Program this year, the Beautification Committee is looking forward to increasing the number of planters next year. For those businesses interested in assisting in the Agawam Beautification effort, donations can be made to the Beautification account set up by the Town.

For more information, please contact the Beautification Committee at 786-0400, ext. 283.

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## Jr. Women's Club Just About Ready For Annual Crafts Festival

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is busy getting things ready for their 20th Annual Arts & Crafts Festival to be held Saturday, June 4th on the grounds of the historic Captain Charles Leonard House from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Over 75 talented, juried artisans from over New England and New York will display and sell their crafts and works of art on the Leonard House lawn. A snack bar will be on the grounds and raffles will be held.

Admission is free.

The outside of the Leonard House has just received a new coat of paint to preserve its beauty and the inside will be open to the public for guided tours throughout the Festival hours.

Inside the Pine Room will be a Youth Art Exhibit to show the talent of Agawam Middle School and Junior High students. All student artwork should be dropped off at the Leonard House on Saturday morning between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m.

All proceeds of this Festival will benefit the AJWC Scholarship Fund. The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the GFWC and the GFWCM.

For further information, call 786-6491 or 786-3191.

## Festival Of Crafts By Catholic Women Set

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold a Festival of Crafts on Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Center of St. John the Evangelist Church, 833 Main St., Agawam.

The event will feature many local artisans, a home-baked food sale, and a snack bar. Paula Raiche and Judy Shrader are co-chairing the Festival that raises funds for needy families. Joan Malinoski is in charge of the bake sale.

Come and view these interesting exhibits and have lunch in the comfort of an air-conditioned hall. There is no admission charge and there is plenty of free parking. The center is handicap accessible.



AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB MEMBERS, from left - Pat Belisle, Patti Dionne, and Susan Hoague make last-minute preparations for the club's Annual Arts & Crafts Festival on Saturday, June 4th, at the Captain Charles Leonard House. Looking on is Pat's son, Ryan Belisle. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Community Grange To Honor Father's Day

Regularly scheduled meetings of Community Grange No. 382, Inc. will take place Tuesday, June 7th, at which time Father's Day and Flag Day will be observed. M. Joan Comee, Master, is in charge and will be assisted by recently elected and installed lecturer, Miriam Caldwell.

Evelyn Cordi and Gertrude Nilson are the hostesses.

On June 21st, the annual Strawberry Supper will be served. It is open to the public. Reservations are encouraged and may be made by calling

Evelyn Cordi at 786-0921 or Florence Blish at 786-6172.

Those who attended the card parties in May were rewarded with extra special prizes and refreshments, hosted by the Sosnowich family. The committee for June, Frances McBride and Caroline Almquist, are working on a surprise method of scoring which will keep you coming.

Evenings for play are the first and third Thursdays of the month. Don miss the next one, June 16th at 7:30 p.m.



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## Five Crowned As "Miss Agawam" After 1994 Pageant

The Seventh Annual Miss Agawam 1994 Pageant was recently held at Chez Josef on April 5th. This year's pageant was once again a very elegant and memorable affair.

Celebrity judge was TV 22's Brenda Garton. Also on hand judging was the reigning 1993 Miss Agawam, Christine Hatziepetro, owner of Sheer Technique, Diane Palazzi (Christine resumed the Tiny Miss Division and part of the Junior Division for Diane), Miss East Longmeadow, Annie Keinath, and Miss Columbus Queen, Gina Marie Marquiss.

Judges were escorted down a winding staircase by High Performance models. Ushers for the evening were Frank Andrus, Jr., Tony Andrus, John Inicki, Curt Boyle, and Harley Davidson.

After Mayor Christopher Johnson escorted the director, Lori Andrus-Boyle, he offered the opening speech commending Lori on a wonderful job and said, "I hope Lori continues this tradition for many years."

This year's pageant consisted of 40 contestants and over 500 guests. Each contestant competed in sports wear and evening wear. Optional categories were the Miss Agawam Talent title and the Miss Photogenic, which are equally honored, along with the pageant title.

The highlight of the pageant is when the Tiny Miss, Junior Miss, and Pre-Teen are escorted down the runway by their father, relative, or friend. Each girl was given a flower and a trophy just for participating. Entertainment was performed by national dance champions from "A" - High Performance School of Dance & Modeling, West Springfield, owned by Lori Andrus-Boyle.

Pageant Director Lori Andrus-Boyle said, "The Miss Agawam is such a special event enjoyed by the contestants, family and friends, and town residents. The beauty we have in our community is overwhelming. Each and every girl in the Miss Agawam pageant met the challenge to be their best, and they all deserved to be winners."

Lori would like to give special thanks to the judges, F&F Productions, TV 22 photographer Liz Hernandez, and her family for all their help in making the Miss Agawam one of the most special events for our town.

"A very special thanks and good-bye to last year's winners, Christine Hatziepetro, Tara Witte, Egypt Dunbar, Kaila Larivee, and Danielle DiStefano. Your help with the pageant and your representation for the town were greatly appreciated," said Lori.

Next year's "Miss Agawam 1995" will be held next April.



THE MISS AGAWAM 1994 LINEUP, from left - Beth Lacienski, Miss Agawam; Nikita Reshamwala, Miss Teen Agawam; Karen Hadden, Miss Preteen Agawam; Christin Cilimberg, Miss Junior Agawam; and Tiffany Karam, Tiny Miss Agawam. Also in photo is Lori Andrus-Boyle, pageant director. MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 22...

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AGAWAM HIGH SENIOR Beth Lacienski was named "Miss Agawam" and was the overall point winner for all divisions.

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## Looking Back...

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June 1973

### JUNE 1st - TOWN WANTS TRAINING SCHOOL FOR RECREATION

Town officials will recommend to the special county committee studying reuse of the former Hampden County Training School and work farm properties that Agawam be awarded the school property and that other proposals be referred to the work farm property.

Major thrust of the revised plan is to divert emphasis from the school property to the 53-acre work farm off River Road, which is also available.

By drawing attention away from the former training school property, they hope to be awarded all 210 acres there to be used for recreation and environmental education.

Confronted with the problem of vandalism at recreation areas, town officials recommend that the proposed Western Mass. Police Academy, if approved by the County Commissioners, be located there.

### JUNE 5th - RIGHTS OF PROVISIONAL POLICEMEN COME UNDER TOWN COUNCIL

Town Council voted Monday to explore "any and all alternatives" to protect the positions of the town's seven provisional police officers.

Only one person on the Civil Service list has responded within the allotted time, Manager Westman said.

The motion to protect the officers was made by Councilor Kenneth Barnes and passed on a 13-1 voice vote. Councilor Richard Theroux was the lone dissenter, objecting that the motion infringed on the town manager's duties.

A petition signed by some 1,200 residents was presented to the council by Norman Nardi, a provisional officer.

### JUNE 6th - HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 349 AT EASTERN STATES EXPO

Agawam High School graduated 349 students Tuesday at the Eastern States Colliseum in West Springfield. Featured speaker was House Speaker David M. Bartley, D-Holyoke, who spoke on new legal rights for 18 year-olds.

He told the graduates and their many friends, parents, and relatives that with new freedoms, come new responsibilities. Class valedictorian was Diane M. Phillips and salutatorian was Deborah G. Goguen.

Diplomas were presented by School Committee Chairman Frank R. Locke and High School Principal David Theodorowicz.

### JUNE 12th - HEALTH SERVICE PLAN PROPOSED TO COUNCIL

A University of Massachusetts-Amherst consultants team submitted a proposal at Monday night's Agawam council work session, which would consolidate public health services in the school system and the town.

The current system allows public health services just for its school system. The proposal was primarily intended to upgrade the services currently available to the elderly population of the town as an alternative to institutionalization, officials said.

The team's findings called for the appointment of a director of public health, a nursing supervisor and five nurses for 180-day periods. It also proposed the hiring of a sanitarian to oversee the ecological problems of public health, and the selection of a five-man Board of Health composed of citizens to serve as a check on the professional health staff.

### JUNE 15th - 'OLD' BARN TO HOLD NEW STORE

"When this barn is done, it will look like we just drove the cows out," said Arthur Leary of his "new" gift store under construction behind the Country Squire Furniture Store, which he also owns.

The barn is being constructed from 50 year-old timbers taken from two matching tobacco barns, and he plans to maintain the weathered appearance. Instead of building the barn in the modern way in which the walls support the weight of the building, Leary used the old-fashioned "barn-raising" technique.

He used "queen posts" which reach from the cellar to the roof as supporting beams. Even if all the walls came down, the barn would still stand, Leary explained.

The store will be known as Ensign Cooper's, after the early Bay colonist. William Pynchon granted Cooper the area of land off what is now Main Street, on which the barn stands.

### JUNE 15th - LEGION DENIED ZONE CHANGE TO RENT PAVILION TO OUTSIDERS

The Town Council Tuesday denied three applications for zone changes, including one which would have allowed Wilson-Thompson Post, American Legion, to rent its picnic pavilion at 1496 Main Street to outside groups.

SEE OLD AGAWAM - Page 23...

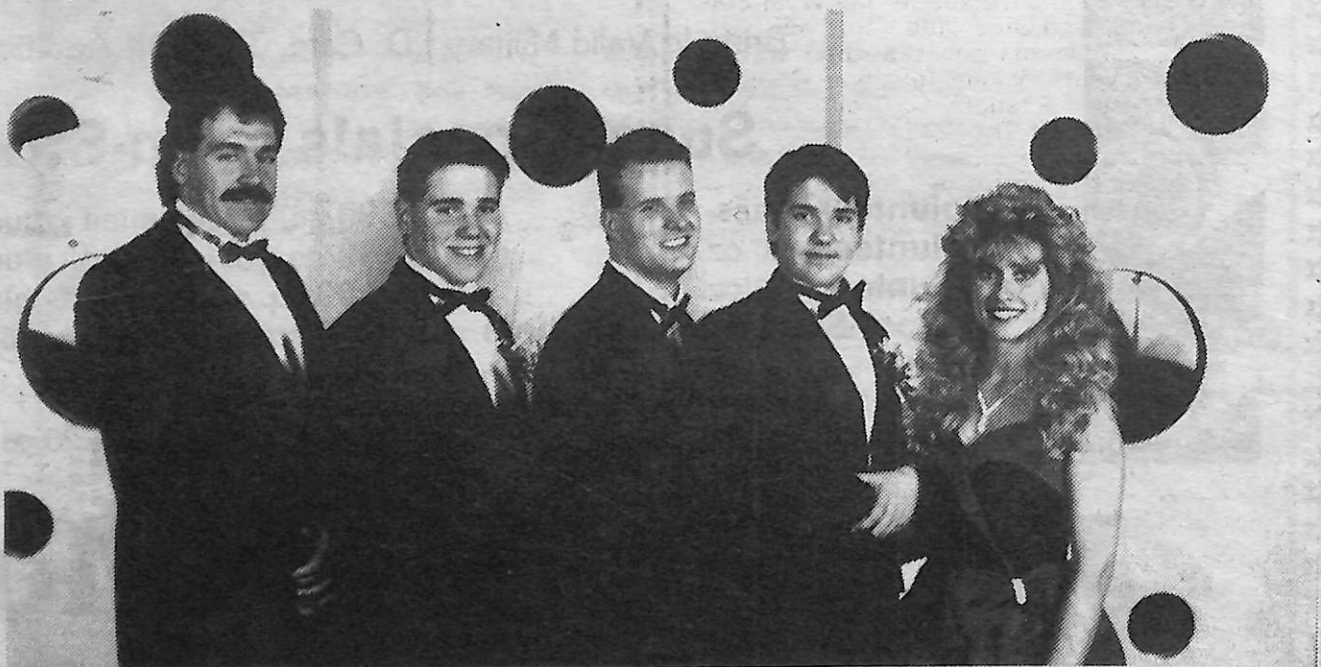
## Miss Agawam Pageant - 1994



**PHOTOGENIC WINNERS** of the 1994 Miss Agawam Pageant, from left - Doreen McEwan, Miss division; Nikita Reshamwala, Teen division; Kristie Woszyzna, Pre-Teen division; Johanna Massotti, Junior division; and Makila Messier, Tiny Miss division. Also in photo is pageant director Lori Andruss-Boyle.



**TALENT WINNERS** for the 1994 Miss Agawam Pageant. From left - Nicole Pajer, Miss division; Kara Tierney, Teen division; Katelyn Tierney, Pre-Teen division; Erin Richardson, Junior division; and Lisa King, Tiny Miss division. Looking on is Lori Andruss-Boyle, pageant director.



**MISS AGAWAM PAGEANT DIRECTOR** Lori Andruss-Boyle is pictured with her chaperones for the 1994 event. From left - Curt Boyle, Frank Andruss, John Ilnicki, and Tony Andruss.

*Our deadline is every Tuesday at 12:00 noon...*





ROBERT F.L. MACDONALD

## West Side Rotary Names MacDonald As Paul Harris Fellow

The West Springfield Rotary Club recognized Robert F.L. MacDonald by awarding him a Paul Harris Fellow at its luncheon meeting on May 10th. The Paul Harris Award was given to Bob MacDonald in recognition of his service above self to his club and his community.

The Paul Harris Fellow Award is granted by Rotary International when a local club makes a \$1,000 donation to the Rotary Foundation in a member's name.

The Rotary Foundation is one of the largest tax-exempt foundations in the world. It has a 1994-1995 worldwide goal of raising \$48 million. This money will be used to promote world understanding and peace through international, charitable, and educational programs. The Rotary Foundation has raised \$236,500,389 to eradicate polio in the world.

Robert F.L. MacDonald has been the executive director of Work Opportunity Center, Inc. of Agawam on Suffield Street for 14 years. Work Opportunity Center, Inc. provides work experiences and employment to developmentally disabled individuals in the Greater Springfield Area.

He has been a Rotarian for 12 years. He is a Past President of the West Springfield Club and currently acts as a District Governor's Representative for Rotary District 7890. During Rotary year 93-94, he was the Chairperson of the Ways and Means Committee.

He has served as the Chairperson of the Summer Concert Series fundraising event. He also was the Chairperson of the Roto Program, matching up Rotarians with Junior High School underachievers in a mentoring program.

In addition to his extensive Rotary activities, Mr. MacDonald served on the Board of Directors of the West Springfield Chamber of Commerce from 1983 to 1989. He was a Trustee for the West Springfield Boys Club and Girls Club from 1985-1991. He served on the Town of Conway's Finance Committee for two years. While teaching Criminal Justice at UMass, he taught GED classes and established a library at The Massachusetts Correctional Institute in Warwick.

The 1993-94 Rotary motto is "Believe In What You Do, And Do What You Believe In." Robert F.L. MacDonald has certainly emulated this philosophy.

In becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, Robert F.L. MacDonald joins a remarkable group of people throughout the world. John Denver, Jimmy Carter, Mother Teresa, Paul Newman, and Mikhail Gorbachov all have been recognized for their devotion to the ideal of goodwill, peace, and understanding. This is the goal of Rotarians the world over and one that Robert F.L. MacDonald clearly shares.

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## Benefit Party For Police Officer Kathleen Cavanaugh

A benefit party has been set for Police Officer Kathleen Cavanaugh of the Chicopee Police Department, on Sunday, July 10th, from 12:00 noon to 5:30 p.m. at the John Boyle O'Reilly Club, 33 Progress Avenue, Springfield.

There will be food, entertainment, and a raffle. Tickets are \$10 per person, and \$18 per family.

Kathy is injured, out of work, and has no source of income. Please show your support by donating your time to ticket sales, donations for the raffle, and/or your presence at the benefit.

Your support and spirit are greatly appreciated. For ticket information, please contact Carole Del Vecchio at 789-0527; Sherry Otero at 562-2903; Irene Golfieri at 535-2215; or Judy Fontaine at 539-6907.

## OLD AGAWAM - from Page 22 ...

Also denied were requests by Richard Cebrelli and Charles Grasso to convert a single-family home at 243 Maple Street to business use and by John Liquori of Willowbrook Construction Co. to build 280 apartment units off Leonard Street.

## JUNE 18th - EIGHT STUDENTS AWARDED \$200 UNICO SCHOLARSHIPS

Eight high school seniors have been awarded scholarships by the Agawam Chapter of UNICO. Each student was awarded a \$200 scholarship at the annual scholarship banquet at Chez Josef.

Those receiving the scholarships were Peggy Gacona, Susan Hamel, Thomas Dennis, Cynthia Enderly, Janet Damolin, Sandra and Sally Krolicki, and Thomas DePalo.

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## Townfolk Reminded That Rabies Threat Is Real This Summer

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

During the month of May Animal Control Officer Robert Burke sponsored a rabies clinic at the Agawam Police Department for residents to obtain low cost rabies shots for their dogs and cats.

With the assistance of Dr. John E. Guntly of the Agawam Animal Hospital, Burke arranged for pet owners to have their cats and dogs receive a rabies shot for \$10 (without having to pay the additional exam fee usually charged at a visit to a veterinary office).

For the past five years, local vets Dr. Guntly and Dr. Richard Vincunas have been volunteering their time at spring and fall clinics organized by Burke. The clinics usually attract over 100 pet owners who take advantage of the cut-rate shots and get their dogs licensed at the same time.

### Danger Greater In Spring

Burke said the danger of coming in contact with a rabid animal is greater in the spring because wild animals are coming out of hibernation and becoming more social during the breeding season, thus increasing the risk of spreading rabies in the animal population.

This year, with the epidemic of raccoon rabies spreading in Western Mass., it is particularly vital for pets to be vaccinated.

After an initial shot at age six months and a booster six months later, dogs should be vaccinated every three years, Burke said. Cats, however, should be vaccinated every year because they are at greater risk of coming into contact with a rabid raccoon because they (like raccoons) are nocturnal animals.

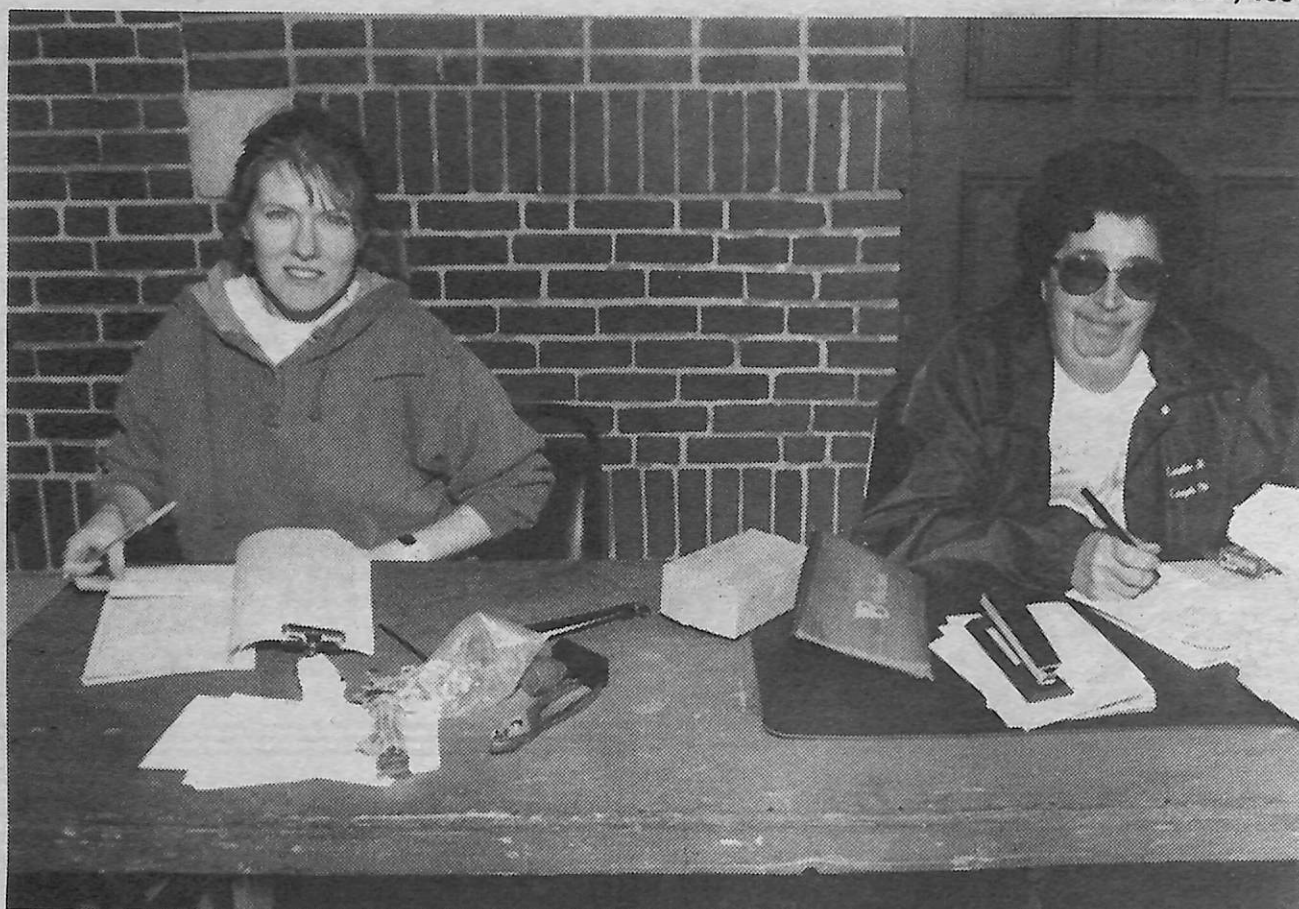
Rabies is a fatal disease of the central nervous system caused by a bite or scratch from an infected animal or by any contact with the saliva of an infected animal.

Any suspected exposure to the deadly virus should be reported to a doctor immediately. "Once the signs and symptoms show up, it's too late," Burke said.

People who have been exposed to rabies must undergo a series of six shots to combat the deadly virus. Burke said several Agawam residents have received the shots in the last two years, including three children.

### Three Cases Confirmed

So far this year, three cases of rabies have been confirmed in Agawam, two involving raccoons and one involving a calf. Burke said only animals



**HELPING ASSIST** with a Rabies Clinic at the Agawam Police Department are Ellen LaFlamme from the Agawam Animal Hospital and Lois Mastromatteo from the Police Department's staff. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

who have come into contact with humans are sent to Boston to be tested for rabies.

Pets who have not been vaccinated and are exposed to rabies should be euthanized to prevent the spread of the disease. Even pets who have been vaccinated must undergo strict quarantine procedures if they are attacked by a rabid animal.

Burke said in confirmed cases of exposure to rabies, the animal must be isolated for a period of three months and then strictly confined for a further three months. While pet owners may choose to isolate and confine their pets on their own property, the arrangements are strictly monitored by Burke.

While it is not possible to keep wild animals from entering your yard, there are some steps that can be taken to avoid making your yard attractive to raccoons and other possible rabies carriers.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health recommends the following steps to decrease the risk of rabies:

- Have dogs and cats vaccinated. Obey leash laws and report strays to animal control officers.
- Never feed pets outside and never feed wild animals.

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**VET JOHN E. GUNTLY** vaccinates "Peanut," owned by Debbie Donovan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### RABIES - from Page 24...

- Never approach a wild animal.
  - Install a chimney cap to keep wild animals out.
  - Seal areas that animals might use as a den, including crawl spaces and opening in attics and sheds.
  - Use trash cans with locking lids to discourage animals looking for food.
- In addition to these steps, Burke recommends keeping garage doors closed.
- The Department of Public Health also recommends using gloves to handle a pet that has been bitten by a possible rabies carrier.
- Burke reiterated, "Don't approach wild animals. Leave them alone. If they're acting strangely, call the police department."

## "Gubby & Friends" To Hold Pizza Party For Scleroderma

Gubby and "friends" for scleroderma research will kick off 1994 with their first fundraiser—a pizza and beer party on June 8th at the Dante Club, West Springfield, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$5.95 per person. The motto for this event is all you can eat and drink or until supplies run out, but thus far, we've never run out of pizza; if any pizzas are left over, they will be sold to anyone who wants to buy them to take home (cooked or not cooked).

There will be 250 tickets sold, and the "friends" expect a sell-out for this event. At this time, there are approximately 50 tickets left to be sold. For tickets and additional information, call Gubby at 786-2834 or Tom Frasco at 786-0093. (Any unsold tickets will be sold at the door.)

Gubby and "friends" offer their thanks to *The Agawam Advertiser News* and the Dante Club for their cooperation.

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## Athletes To Meet June 9th

The Agawam Senior Games Athletes will meet at the Agawam Senior Center on Thursday, June 9th at 10:00 a.m., at which time the yearly election of officers will be held.

It is important that all members attend. All newcomers are welcome.

## Open Pantry Offering Perry Lane Camperships; Donations Sought

Again this year, the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry is giving camperships to neighborhood children for two weeks at Perry Lane Camp.

Six children have registered to attend. Some of these youngsters have received camperships in previous years and some are new. All are excited and looking forward to these two weeks.

We need donations in order to send them to camp. The cost of one campership is \$50 for two weeks. Two weeks at camp makes a big difference in the lives of these children.

Donations can be mailed to the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry, 1023 Main St., West Springfield, MA 01089.

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## Mr. & Mrs. Majewski Celebrate 25th

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Majewski, Jr. of 17 Plantation Road, Hatfield, were recently honored on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary with a reception at Chez Josef, and a Bermuda cruise.

The couple were married April 26th, 1969 at St. John the Evangelist Church.

They are the parents of Kimberly Ann Majewski of Hatfield.

Mrs. Majewski is the former MaryAnn Mathias of Agawam.

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## Agawam UNICO's Monte Carlo Night



AGAWAM UNICO held a Monte Carlo Night at the Springfield Turnverein on May 20th. Helping out to see things run properly are, from left - Rich Morassi, Judy DiLullo, Ron Lalancette, Dennis Marchetto, and Dorothy Marchetto. RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Taking Charge Of Your TV To Be Aired At Agawam Public Library June 15th

A program entitled "Media Literacy: How to Take Charge of Your TV" has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 15th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library.

This forum will be led by Cecelia Lang of Continental Cablevision. This workshop uses video examples, discussion, and simple exercises to show ways to identify and take charge of your viewing habits.

Other topics to be discussed will include: Television and Education: the under-utilized resources of TV programs, the Reading Connection: How TV can actually encourage you and your child to read, Good TV/Bad TV: How to respond to issues of violence on TV, A Commercial World: Understanding the advertising strategies used, Cable in the Classroom: an overview of free resources and commercial-free, curriculum-based programming available for use in class that any viewer can use in the home.

From sessions of Congress to local PTO

meetings across the country, there has been much discussion about the effects of media on our children. More than ever, we must take the time to make good viewing decisions; to learn active, critical viewing habits; and learn how to understand and analyze the messages television is sending out to us. This program is designed to help provide a forum to share tools we can use to manage television to get the best of what TV has to offer, while reducing the effects of negative effects such as program violence.

This program is part of a Federal grant entitled "Students High Tech Multimedia Education Center," which is being funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with Title I Funds of L.S.C.A. (Library Services and Construction Act), a federal source of library funding.

If you would like to register for this free program or require any additional information, please call the library at 789-1550.

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## Monte Carlo Night For Agawam UNICO



MEMBERS OF AGAWAM UNICO held a Monte Carlo Night at the Springfield Turnverein in Feeding Hills on May 20th. IN PHOTO LEFT, Al D'Agostino and Tom Leahey were spinning the wheel of fortune; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Rosemarie Kieffer asks Michelle Lalancette to play her numbers before spinning the dice. RELATED PHOTO ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

### "Books On Parade" Being Brought To Lib. By Jr. Women's Club

Thanks to the very generous sponsorship of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, the Agawam Library is presenting one of the most exciting shows it has ever staged on Saturday, June 18th, not once but twice, at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

"Books on Parade," with Dan Butterworth and his Marionettes, has live actors, puppets, and marionettes that will take us through the wonderful world of books. Like magic, the marionettes will flow out of books and dance among the audience.

Dan Butterworth's shows have played at colleges, schools, civic functions, theatres, and festivals throughout the Northeast and have received critical acclaim for their creativity and innovation.

This is a Summer Reading Club kick-off program. Families may call 789-1550 or stop by at 750 Cooper Street to register for either the 11:00 a.m. or 3:00 p.m. performance.

### Commerce High '44 Planning 50th Reunion

The High School of Commerce, Classes of January and June 1944, are planning their 50th Reunion Gala for the weekend of October 8th, 9th, and 10th, to be held at the downtown Springfield Sheraton Hotel.

The weekend will start off Saturday with a personalized tour of the guests' alma mater and then on to the hotel for a cocktail party and dancing from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The banquet will be held Sunday, October 9th in the main ballroom.

If you have not already been contacted or know of any class members living out of the area, please contact Elsie Casanova Haroshevsky (567-3685), Dorothy Fortune Kenyon (782-2105), Jeannette Papy Shvirsky (567-0118), or Ruth Burger Thyberg (789-4483).

### Father's Day Crafts Can Be Made June 16 At Agawam Library

Kids of all ages are invited to the Agawam Public Library to make something special for their dads. Come anytime between 3:30 in the afternoon and 8:30 at night on Thursday, June 16th.

The library's Mother's Day magnets were a great big hit and the Easter/Spring cards for Heritage Hall residents received a special thank you from everyone there.

Call 789-1550 or stop by at 750 Cooper Street to reserve this month's craft kit.

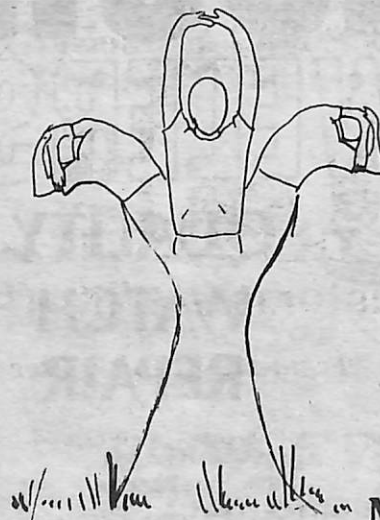
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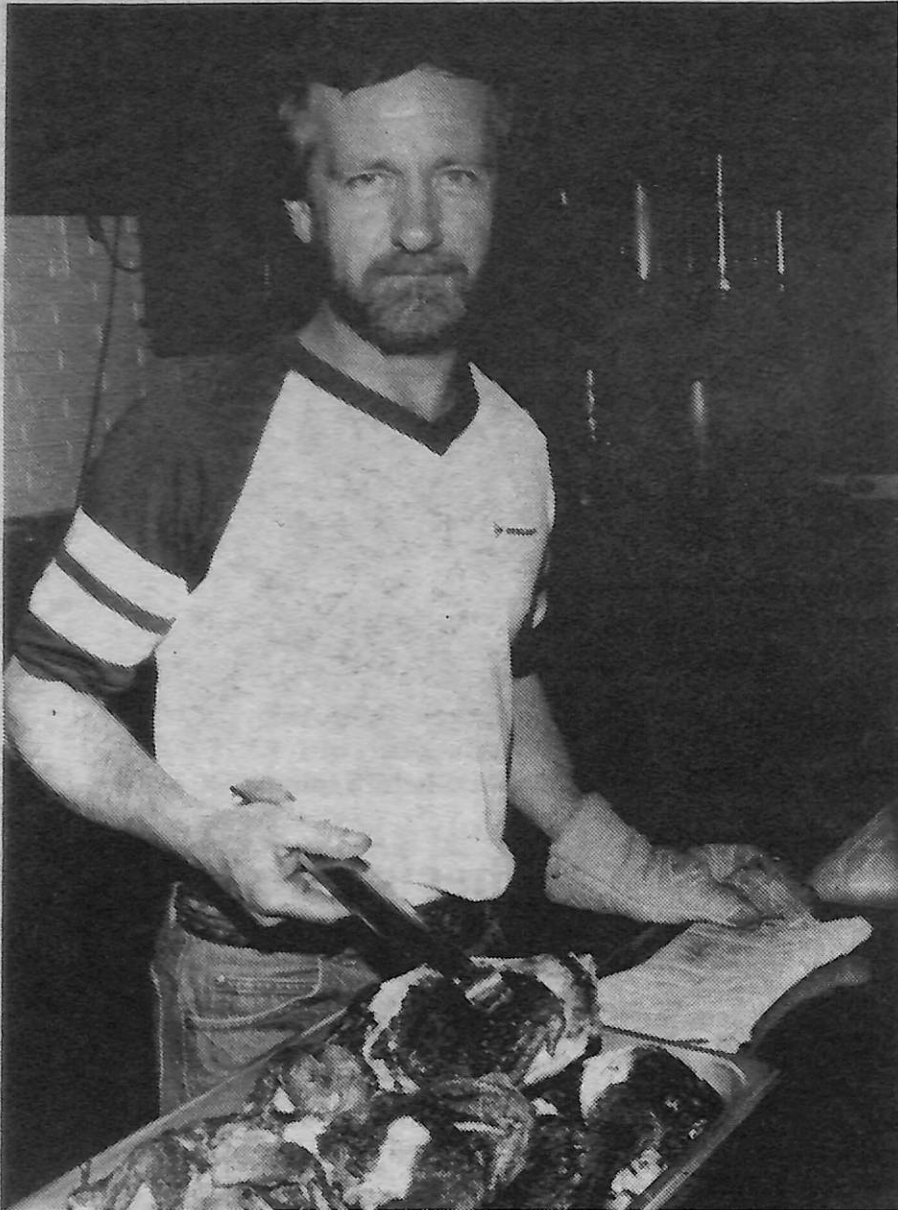
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# Church News

## Chicken Supper At Valley Community Church



**VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH** in Feeding Hills held another of its famous chicken suppers last month, with another scheduled for Saturday, June 11th. Larry Taylor (photo left) was one of the servers who made sure hungry kids like four year-old Danielle Gamache (photo right) received their delicious dinners. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

## June Events At Valley Community Church

Valley Community Church Congregational has announced the following calendar of events for the month of June:

**Saturday, June 4th:** SPAGHETTI SUPPER. Seatings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, June 5th:** 10:00 a.m. Church Service (with new Hymnal Dedication) and Sunday School. Junior Sermon by Margie Secora and Lyle Pearsons (of Kit 'n Kaboodle).

**Saturday, June 11th:** CHICKEN SUPPER with STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE. Seatings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, June 12th:** 10:00 a.m. Church Service and Sunday School. Junior Sermon by Margie Secora and Lyle Pearsons (of Kit 'n Kaboodle).

**Sunday, June 19th:** 10:00 a.m. Church Service and Sunday School. Junior Sermon by Margie Secora and Lyle Pearsons (of Kit 'n Kaboodle).

**Sunday, June 26th:** 10:00 a.m. CHILDREN'S SUNDAY CELEBRATION Church Service along with special celebrations by the children.

Church Services are conducted by the Reverend Stephen Dennehy, Associated Minister, who can inspire your faith and touch your hearts with hope.

Our doors are open to everyone who wants to share in faith and in friendship.

Valley Community Church Congregational is located HIGH ON A HILLTOP at 152 South Westfield St. in Feeding Hills.

## Church Of Christ Has Free Clothing

On June 11th, the Church of Christ in West Springfield will be giving free clothing to those needing "a shirt on their back." All clothing will be summer oriented, clean and in good condition.

Torn and dingy clothing is not the benevolence our Lord Jesus taught nor lived. All clothing will be marked according to the proper sizes. Last fall, the church held a similar event with great success and anticipates a good crowd this time as well.

The church building will be open at 9:00 a.m. Don't be hesitant to come, for along with good clothing, you'll also find a friendly face.

The church building is located off Route 20 on Upper Church St., next to the Mitteneage School.

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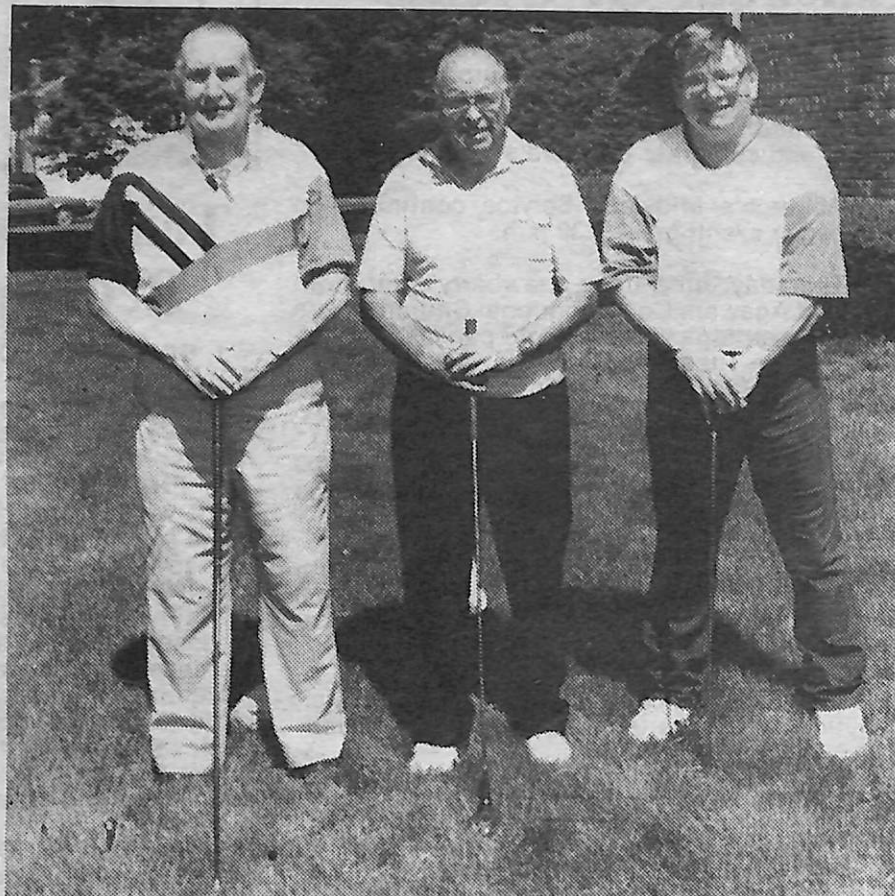
## Church News - continued...

## Chicken Supper Enjoyed



OVER AT VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH, Ben Fish and Bertha Janulewicz attended the monthly chicken supper. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Golf Tournament Planned



THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH will hold its 4th Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 11th from 10:30 to 1:30 p.m. at St. Anne's Country Club. Patrons, company, and hole sponsors are needed. Please call Ray Orr, 786-7114 for tee times. Pictured above are church members Charlie McCobb, Ray Orr, and Reverend Curt Fuller. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Church News - continued...

## Ag. Congregational's Calendar Of Events

This Sunday, June 5th, is Communion Sunday at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam.

Come and worship with the members of the church, and celebrate the Lord's Supper.

The church's Midweek Service continues on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

On Thursday, June 9th, a strawberry supper will be held at Agawam Congregational Church. There will be two sittings (5:00 and 6:15 p.m.), and reservations close Tuesday, June 7th.

Call Ruth Galica at 786-0550 for reservations.

A reminder—"Tacos & Toes" for the 3\*2\*1\* KONTACT Group is slated for Saturday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. All kindergarten through third grade children are welcome.

The Agawam Congregational Church's fourth annual Golf Tournament is set for Saturday, June 11th, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It will be held at St. Anne's Country Club.

An "Adults Night Out" will take place on Saturday, June 25th. Save this date on your calendar!

## St. John's Plans D-Day Service On Monday, June 6th

On Monday, June 6th, the 50th anniversary of "D-DAY" Celebration of Eucharistic Liturgy will be held at 8:30 a.m. at St. John The Evangelist Church.

Veterans of World War II are invited to attend this "D-DAY" Commemorative Mass and to wear their military decorations. For those whose veteran family members are deceased, a member of their family is asked to wear their medals for them.

The American Legion Post will provide a Color Guard and a bugler.

Father George G. Greenway, administrator at St. John's, invites all town residents to attend.

The Teen Encounter Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, June 1st, in the parish center.

A Craft Show, sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam, will be held in St. John's Parish Center on Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Weeday Masses are celebrated at 8:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, and weekend Masses are on Saturdays at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. and on Sundays at 7:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m.

## Spaghetti Supper At Valley Community

Valley Community Church will be holding a Spaghetti Supper this month in addition to their monthly Chicken Supper.

The Spaghetti Supper will be held on Saturday, June 4th with continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Along with the spaghetti, there will also be meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, and a beverage. And for dessert, your choice from the town famous, guaranteed fattening, luscious dessert table.

The cost is only \$4.50 for adults and \$2.25 for children. You will also be entertained while you dine with Italian dinner music by Don Stafford.

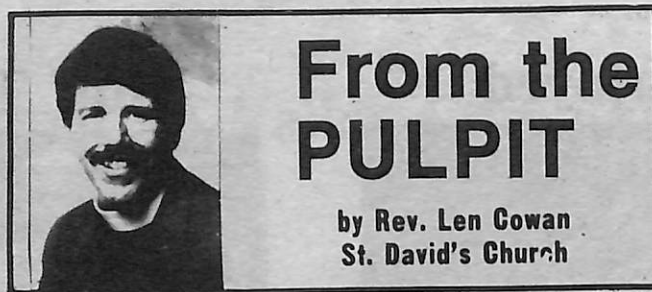
Reservations may be made by calling the church at 786-2445.

Valley Community Church is located HIGH ON A HILLTOP at 152 South Westfield St. in Feeding Hills.

## Gospel Singer To Appear At Faith Bible Church

Gospel singer Chris Heard will appear at the 11:00 a.m. worship service at Faith Bible Church on Sunday, June 5th.

Faith Bible Church is located at 370 Shoemaker Lane in Agawam.



## From the PULPIT

by Rev. Len Cowan  
St. David's Church

## Ten Tips For Inviting People To Church

**1. INVITE SOMEONE YOU KNOW.** A number of surveys show that a majority of persons first come to church because a friend invited them. When you invite someone, it not only is personal, it's also the most effective invitation.

**2. PRAY ABOUT YOUR INVITING.** The Holy Spirit wants to work through you to help others come to church to hear the Good News. Ask His help to reach out to someone else.

**3. INVITE PERSONS IN TIME OF NEED.** There are times in most people's lives when the message of Jesus and the fellowship of worship are especially needed. Such persons also may be more open to an invitation to worship. People going through the stress of change—a loved one's death, sickness in the family, loss of a job, a new community, a new baby—can be served by the message of the risen Christ around which worship resolves.

**4. INVITE PERSONS TO SPECIAL SERVICES.** Special worship occasions are also times when people may be open to an invitation. Natural opportunities to invite visitors are Christmas, Easter, and when Sunday School students participate.

**5. INVITE PERSONS WHO DON'T HAVE A CHURCH HOME.** While our congregation is happy to have visitors from our churches, our outreach is aimed at unchurched persons. Our church family isn't seeking to "steal sheep" from other churches. Instead, our church treasures opportunities to serve relatives, friends, and associates of our members who do not have a church to call their own.

**6. INVITE PEOPLE BECAUSE WE ARE PROUD OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY.** There can be a healthy kind of pride in our church family and what Christ has given us to offer. That pride is the good feeling we have about our congregation and our satisfaction in what God has done for us and through us. Because we have experienced the "joy of salvation" in our worship, we will want others to share that joy and salvation.

**7. INVITE PEOPLE IN YOUR NATURAL WAY.** Don't worry about how to invite someone to come to church with you. If you are concerned enough

to ask that person, the Holy Spirit will bless your asking. There is no single "right way"; even if your words may be stumbling (to you), the Spirit will work through you.

**8. DON'T GIVE UP.** If your invitation doesn't work the first time, try a few times to invite that person to worship. Do not push! Be gentle, but make sure the person knows that the welcome mat is out.

**9. INVITE PEOPLE TO WORSHIP WITH YOU.** Nonchurched visitors will attend our services more readily if you're there to worship with them. More than once, people have said they would like to visit services, but don't know anyone. Arrange to bring them or meet them at church and sit with them. Being with visitors for the first time also gives you the opportunity to help them with worship practices we may take for granted.

**10. ASK YOUR PASTOR FOR HELP.** There's always someone ready to help you in your inviting; your pastor. He sets aside time to contact persons: by home visits, over the phone, by a mailed note—to whom our congregation is reaching out. He'll be happy to visit someone whom you know would appreciate a visit—BE SURE TO GET THAT PERSON'S PERMISSION BEFORE ASKING PASTOR TO STOP BY!

### If We Put Nothing In

*"He who sows sparingly will reap sparingly; he who sows generously will also reap generously" (Luke 12:48)*

Several years ago a minister visited the Dole pineapple processing plant in Hawaii. This is what he observed:

There is a production line which starts with field-ripe pineapple and ends with canned fruit packed in cardboard cartons. While the pastor watched the giant industrial machine tremble and turn, creating tremendous vibrations with an accompanying thunder of noise, he noticed that nothing was coming off the end of the line.

Surprised, he asked his tour guide about this strange absence of results. The guide's explanation was simple: "Sir," he said, "nothing is being put in at the other end, so nothing is coming off at this end."

The spiritual application is equally simple. It is called Christian stewardship. God, Jesus said, expects much from those to whom much has been given. If they sow sparingly, they will also reap sparingly.

God does not waste his gifts. He anticipates a return both on the investment of Himself and of His resources. Lest this seem like a harsh principle, let us put it differently:

God invites us to greater participation in and involvement with what He is doing. God, by blessing us and showering us with His gifts of time, treasure, and talent, challenges us to trust him and to join with Him in this fully divine principle. If we put nothing in, this is what will come out!

## Children's Sunday At F.H. Congregational

Don't forget, this Sunday, June 5th, is Children's Sunday at Feeding Hills Congregational Church. There will be a rehearsal for the service on Saturday, June 4th, at 9:00 a.m. Please try to attend.

The Annual Church Picnic will be held this Sunday, also, following the Children's Service. There will be plenty of hot dogs and hamburgers for all. Please join in on the fun and games with us!

The Thursday Evening Discussion Group will not meet again until September.

There will be a Special Meeting of the congregation after church on June 12th.

### Upcoming meetings:

**Monday, June 6th:** Council at 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, June 7th:** Christian Education Committee at 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, June 9th:** Deacons at 7:30 p.m.

## Strawberry Supper At Ag. Congregational

The Ladies Aid Society of Agawam Congregational Church will hold its annual strawberry supper on June 9th with sittings at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m. at the church, 745 Main Street, Agawam.

The menu will include potato salad, cole slaw, boiled ham, relish, rolls, and beverages, along with homemade strawberry shortcake.

The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. For reservations, call 786-0550 before June 7th.

## Chicken Supper At Valley Community

Valley Community Church will be holding its monthly Chicken Supper on Saturday, June 11th.

The menu will consist of baked chicken, stuffing, potatoes, two hot vegetables, salads, cranberry sauce, rolls with butter, and a beverage. And to top it off, a table piled high with strawberry shortcake.

There will be continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The cost is just \$6.50 for adults and \$3.25 for children. Reservations are strongly suggested by calling the church at 786-2445.

Valley Community Church is located HIGH ON A HILLTOP at 152 South Westfield St. in Feeding Hills.

## Strawberry Supper To Be Held At F.H. Congregational

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, is sponsoring a Strawberry Supper and Food Sale on Saturday, June 18th.

The menu will include potato and egg salad, boiled ham, home baked beans, coleslaw, rolls and pickles, strawberry shortcake, and beverage.

The cost will be \$7 for adults, \$2.50 for children under eight, with continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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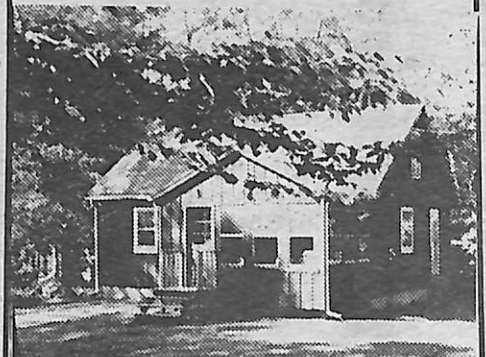
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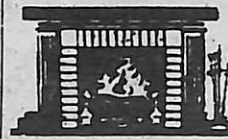
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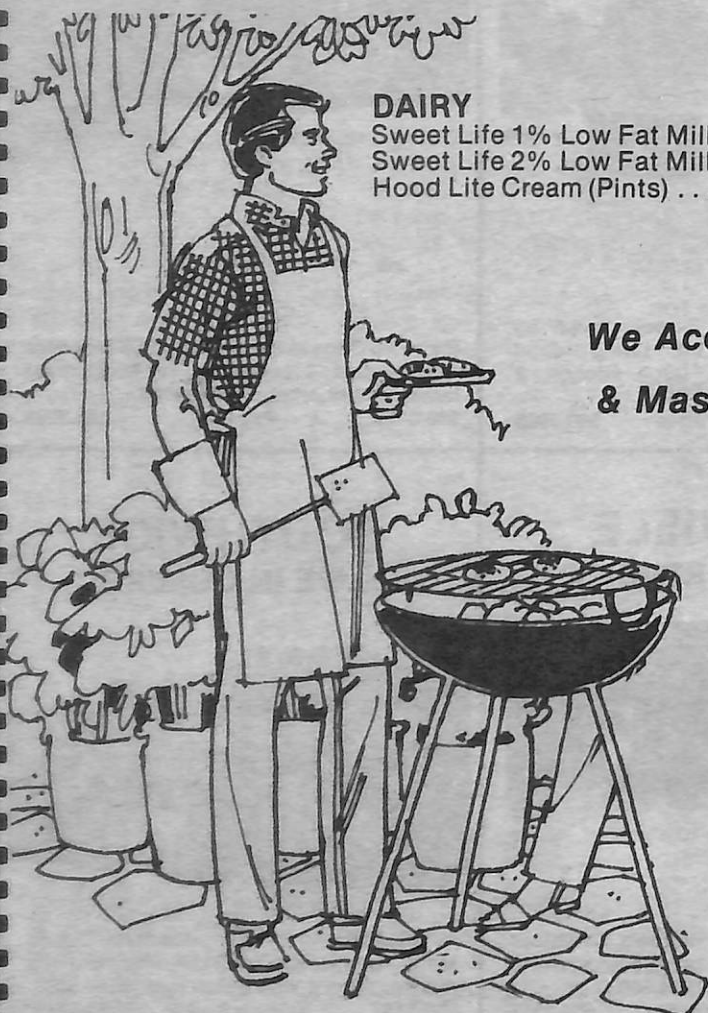
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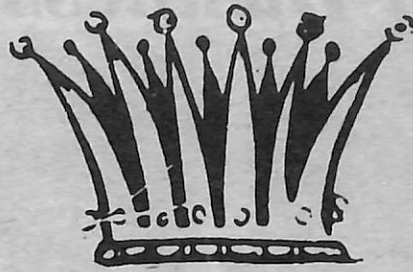
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## Spotlight On Business

### Chez Josef Basks In 25 Years Of Regional Acclaim

by Peggy Shoemaker  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

In recognizing the 25th anniversary of Chez Josef's banquet house on Shoemaker Lane, the owners look back on humble beginnings to its present elegant establishment, and forward to a family enterprise that will accommodate the future.

Chez Josef opened in May 1969 in an 18,000 square-foot building that seated 400 persons. There were 12 employees, with three of them working full-time. The opening featured two gatherings—a small one to acquaint interested persons with the kosher kitchen and menu, and another one for 400 prominent persons of the area to showcase the facilities.

Over the years there has been seven additions, and the banquet house now seats 1,800 persons at one time. There are 10 acres of parking space and 52,000 square feet of building. There are 263 employees, most of whom work full-time during the busier seasons. There is regular staff of 20 full-time employees.

The establishment serves about 185,000 people a year, according to Allan Skole, founder and president of Chez Josef.

An elegant and tasteful banquet house was a dream of Skole's when he went to the American Culinary Institute and worked at the Student Prince Restaurant in Springfield, and at the Longmeadow and Crestview Country Clubs. He also owned the food program at Twin Hills Country Club, worked with private industrial feeders, and at a private school in Litchfield, Connecticut.

It was while he was at Twin Hills that he was determined to start a banquet house in this area, believing it would not only make out, but was needed.

Financing was hard to come by, Skole said in a recent interview. "Banks considered banquet houses too risky and unproven commodities," he remarked.

There were four partners when the original building opened that spring, two of them silent. A year later, one of the silent partners died, and about 12 to 14 years ago, Skole bought out the other two. That is approximately when his children, Ronald and Linda, joined the company.

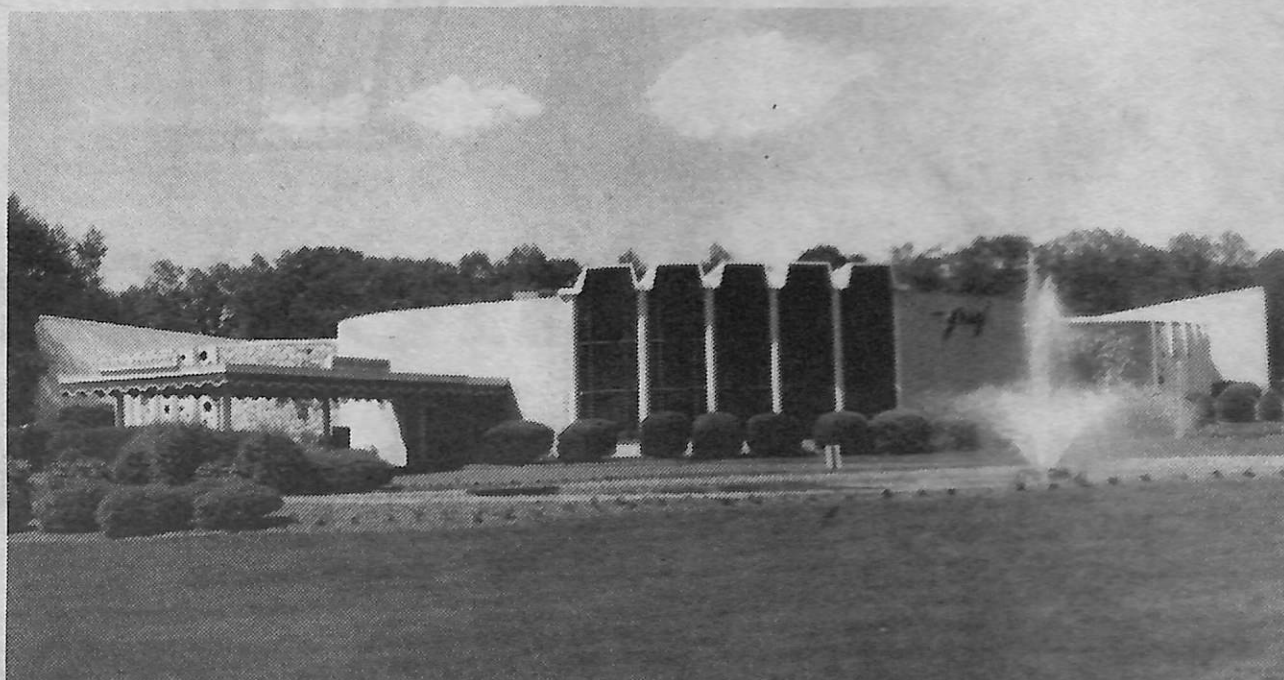
The name Chez Josef came from one of the partners who was most visible because he greeted guests while Skole was the expert in food preparation and dispersing. The name became so well-known that it was maintained.

Skole recalls the long, long days over the many years that it took to bring the business to its present success ... and he deems it was all worth it. He praises his wife, Anita, who raised the children while he built the business. Now they are partners.

Special features of the business include the kosher kitchen that enables the staff to serve meals and banquets in Jewish tradition under the Kosher Supervisory Council of Springfield. Meals from this kitchen amount to six to eight percent of the business, Skole said.

Pathways are being laid in a perennial garden fashioned near a gazebo and foot bridge. Originally intended for picture-taking (especially for wedding parties), the garden is being expanded to permit garden weddings.

The Bridal Showcase is a shop where a prospective bridal couple can make plans for the entire wedding in a few hours—from selecting menus, color themes, flowers, place cards, invitations, ordering of tuxedos, bridal gowns, etc., to viewing videos of 150 bands and D.J.'s. And, there is a bridal consultant on the premises.



CHEZ JOSEF on Shoemaker Lane is celebrating its 25th anniversary.



MEMBERS OF THE SKOLE FAMILY, owners and operators of Chez Josef on Shoemaker Lane. From left - Ronald Skole and his wife, Laura; Linda Skole Curtis; Allan Skole, founder and president, and his wife, Anita; and Jean Allen.

#### Selecting A Menu At Chez Josef

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to suggestions to create or modify details according to the customer's wishes.

A grand stairway trimmed in gold was recently completed at Chez Josef, allowing a bridal couple to feel like movie stars on their "day of days." It leads from two waiting lounges that open onto the parking lot, to the stairway into the banquet hall below. A wall of mirrors opposite the stairway shows a bridal party making their grand entrance.

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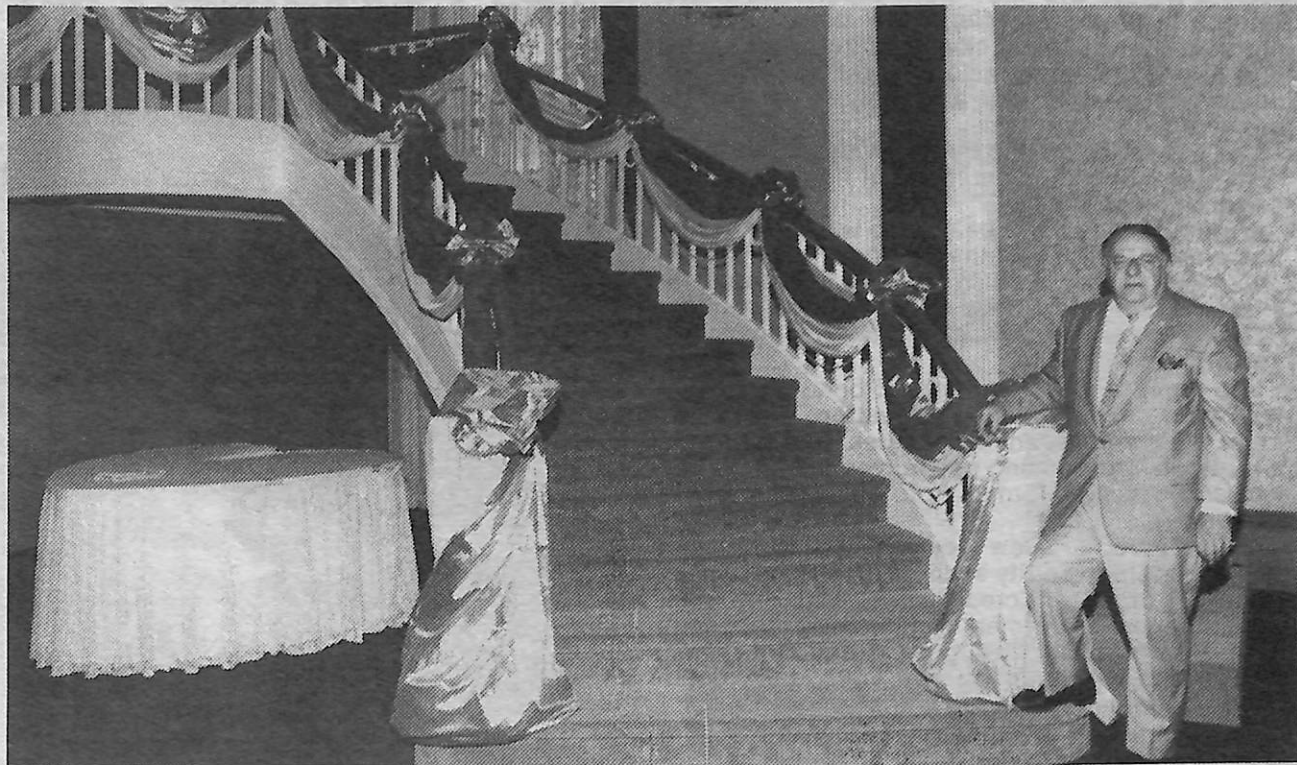
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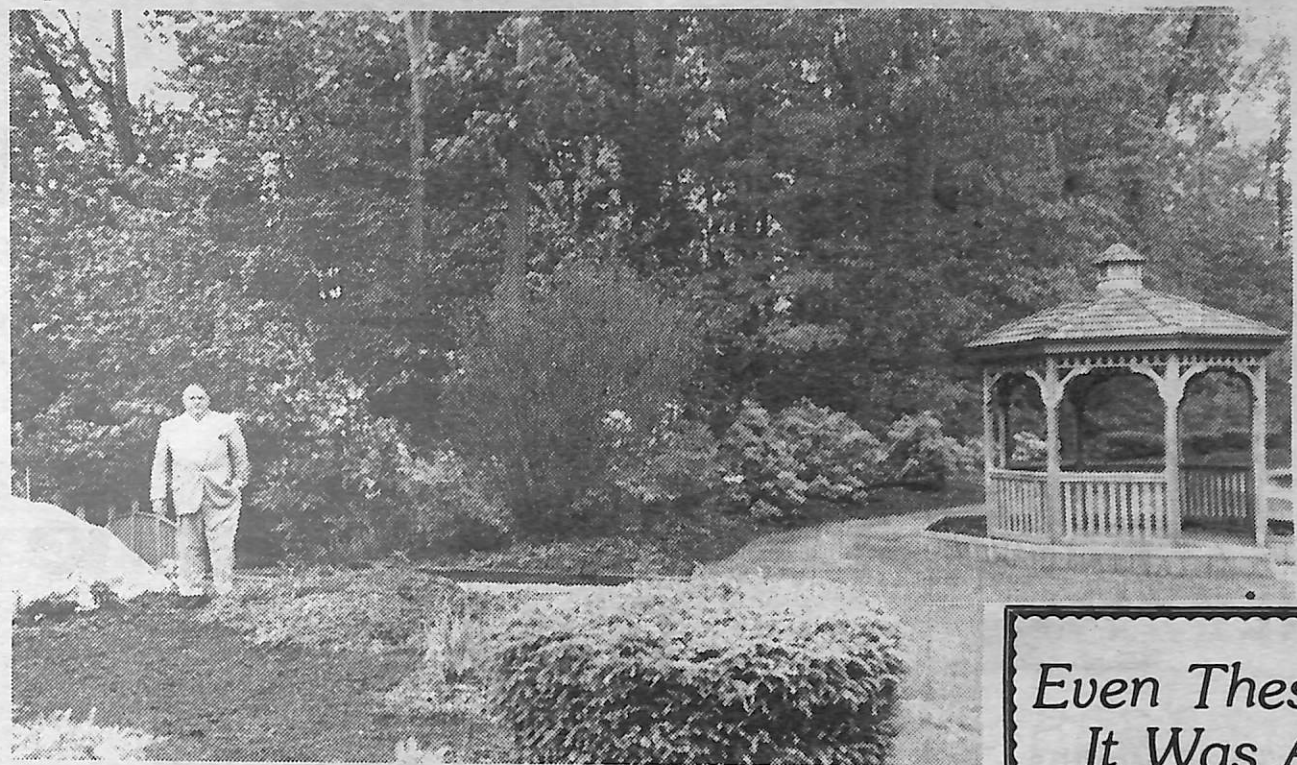
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**CHEZ JOSEF OWNER AND OPERATOR Allan Skole is proud of his newly-completed spiral staircase.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**THE GARDEN AREA** on the grounds of Chez Josef is becoming more and more popular during the wedding season, according to owner and operator Allan Skole (pictured in left corner). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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The canopied front entrance leads to the foyer (with its own fountain) and the Grand Ballroom, which can be sectioned in two (into the Allan Room and the Anita Room). The Anita Room is named after Skole's wife, who has been a hostess at the banquet house since it opened.

Their children, Ronald and Linda Skole Curtis, graduated from the hotel/restaurant administration program at UMass. Ron is the sales manager in charge of marketing, and Linda is the general manager. Ron's wife, Laurie, handles personnel, and her mother, Jean Allen, is a bridal consultant.

Two of the many long-time employees are Marcel Ouimet, who heads a staff of 23 chefs (and is, himself, an employee of 25 years), and Ann Mailhot, the office manager and Skole's secretary for 15 years. Then there are bartenders, waitresses, clean-up crews, setting-up crews, receptionists, etc.

Skole recalls the years of long days and hard work that left almost no time for his family, but now the family is together in the business. They have weekly family business sessions and, once a year, they vacation together.

This entire family is efficient but low-key. Allan Skole does not tell you that he is a Korean War veteran, or of the many accolades that have come to his banquet house. He is a past president of the Agawam Chamber of Commerce; past president of the Agawam Work Opportunity Center; and works with the Spanish American Union and the Jewish Federation of Greater Springfield.

Linda Skole Curtis was one of the organizers of Rachael's Table, a group of 125 volunteers that collects usable food from area food establishments (restaurants, bakeries, delicatessens, etc.) and channels it to seven Greater Springfield shelters for the needy. Rachael's Table is coordinated under the Jewish Federation of Greater Springfield.

With all the Skole family involved in running the business, Allan could be a little more laid back, but he isn't. "We have a loyal staff and a very loyal following," he said, "and I want to thank them all." He added, "Since May through July 4th is the busiest of banquet seasons, it was decided that the money it would cost to have a celebration be given to worthwhile causes in this area."

For Allan Skole, it is enough that his dream of a successful banquet house has come true—and he enjoys working at it.

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**Spotlight On Business - continued...****Century 21**by  
**John Schuler**  
realtor**Newschu Real Estate, Inc.**  
20 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills**How A Realtor Can Help You Ease Into Home Ownership**

For many, the first step in buying a home is becoming educated about the process. If you're like many people considering a home purchase, you've spent nights and weekends poring over homes magazines and the real estate section of the newspaper.

You've talked to friends and relatives about their experiences. Maybe you've even purchased a book or two to help you become more familiar with real estate terminology and the various types of mortgages commonly used today.

Coming up with a down payment and finding a loan that meets your needs are the greatest hurdles faced by home buyers. So, you may even have leafed through stacks of brochures and flyers from lenders offering down payments that are far less than the 20 percent you'd always thought you'd need to save before you could buy.

With so many excellent programs to choose from these days, you need to be an expert to sort through them all.

That's why if you're a homebuyer seeking a low down payment loan, you'll save time by selecting a professional real estate agent who is experienced in working with people just like you in the area where you plan to buy. An agent who frequently

assists buyers will know from experience which lenders in your area offer a low down payment program that will most closely match your needs.

A professional real estate agent can help you determine whether you are likely to qualify for these special programs, since participation in some may be limited to buyers under a certain income level or for the purchase of homes below a certain purchase price.

Your agent also will be able to tell you whether there are other requirements you must fulfill in order to be considered. With some programs, for example, you must attend an educational seminar before you can be considered for one of these low down payment loans.

It's important that your agent become familiar with your current financial situation. Before you meet with your agent to discuss your financial situations and housing needs, you'll want to collect some basic information to make the process easier.

Be prepared to show recent paycheck stubs or pay vouchers to certify sources of income; a complete list of current credit cards; auto and other consumer credit payments you make each month; and recent bank savings statements. These documents will help you and your agent determine how much home you can afford.

It's also important that you disclose any prior credit problems or late payments. Your agent may be able to suggest ways to remedy any negative remarks on your credit report that could disqualify you from a low down payment loan program.

**NOTE: If you are working with a seller's agent (traditional agent), the agent must share all information obtained from you with the seller.**

In addition, because most lenders will require that you have several months of house payments in the bank as a reserve, your agent may be able to suggest ways you can increase your savings in the weeks and months leading up to your home purchase. Don't forget that some programs allow you to apply a cash gift to cover the required down payment and closing costs.

Your agent also may know a motivated seller who would be willing to assist you by carrying a second mortgage. A second mortgage is helpful because it reduces the amount of the first mortgage you need to obtain.

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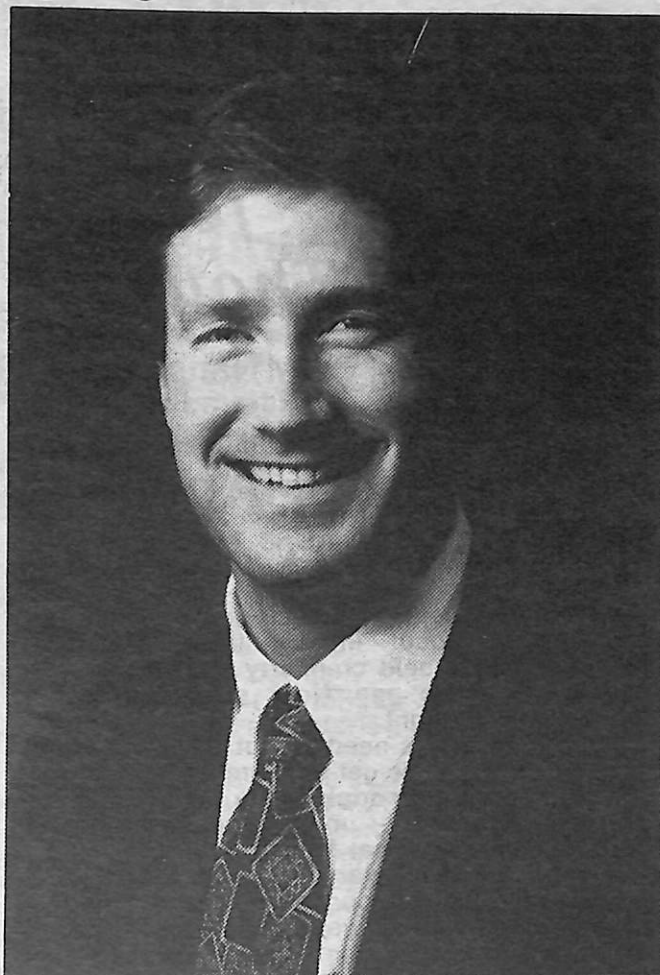
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JAMES HAGAN

## James Hagan Named VP/Commercial Loans At Westfield Savings

James Hagan of Springfield has been named Vice President-Commercial Loan Officer by Westfield Savings Bank, it was announced last week by Westfield President Donald A. Williams.

Hagan served as Vice President and Division Head of the Small Business Banking Group at Springfield Institution for Savings prior to joining Westfield Savings. He also gained many years of banking experience with Fleet Bank and the former Bank of New England, which he joined in 1984 as a Credit Analyst.

A series of promotions elevated him to Senior Credit Analyst, Credit Officer and Department Head, Commercial Loan Officer, Commercial Lending-Team Leader, and ultimately, Assistant Vice President. Hagan served as Small Business Administration liaison during his tenure at both Bank of New England and SIS.

Following graduation from Westfield High School, Hagan attended Assumption College where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He also holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from American International College.

Hagan is Vice President of the Westfield State College Foundation and an athletic coach for Springfield's Holy Cross Church baseball league. He has also served as a volunteer fundraiser for the American Heart Association, the Easter Seal campaign, and various other charitable organizations.

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In some cases, a second mortgage can eliminate the need for private mortgage insurance, which is added to your monthly payment and generally required to protect the lender when a down payment is less than 20 percent of the loan amount. Even if the seller isn't willing to take a second mortgage to complete the sale, they may be willing to pay some of your closing costs, which will reduce the amount of cash required up-front.

With interest rates edging up, innovated mortgage financing programs that require a low down payment are even more important than ever to buyers. A professional real estate agent can help you sift through the countless programs that are available and help find the one that's right for you.

(John Schuler is the Broker/Owner of CENTURY 21 Newschu Real Estate, Inc., located in Feeding Hills, MA [413-789-1117].)

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## George & Green Names Agents



GEORGE & GREEN REAL ESTATE has named top awards for April to agents Vincent Rettura as top listing agent and Cynthia A. Krolicki as top selling agent (right). Kathy Ayre, manager of George & Green, made the presentations. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Bank To Help 1st-Time Home Buyers


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After the fifth year, an annual rate review will determine the rate. That rate can increase up to 1% per year, but can not exceed 5% within a five-year period.

The maximum available for a single family home is \$110,000, and \$135,000 for a two-family home. However, with the emphasis on low-income housing, it is expected that most loans in this program will be for lower amounts.

A minimum down payment of 5% is required. If the down payment is less than 20%, private mortgage insurance must be provided.


"We have instituted this program to assist minorities and other would-be home owners with moderate to low incomes, in achieving their goal of becoming home owners," Williams reported. Applications for these low-interest mortgages will be accepted beginning June 8th.





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## Time To Get More Out Of Life

by Debra Morse, M.Ed.

When we do things that are bad for us, or fail to do things that are good for us, it is often due to habit. To put it simply, a habit is any behavior that we do automatically. We have "practiced" it so many times, that we no longer have to think about doing it. We just do it.

Whether you bit your nails, eat for emotional reasons, or let others take advantage of you, you do these things because, in your experience, something "triggered" or signaled your behavior, and something "rewarded" it.

A **trigger** merely **signals** a behavior to occur (it has no **control** over your behavior, but **we** do!). A reward merely increases the chances that a behavior will repeat itself again in the future. Sometimes it is hard to figure out what is rewarding a behavior, as in the case of nail-biting. (But we know that something did reward it, or it would not persist!)

Avoiding an unpleasant consequence is another form of reward. Some sort of "pain" has been **avoided**, and that is the reward. For example, when non-assertive (or conflict-avoidant) people choose not to "rock the boat" or "create a fuss," they choose to "keep the peace" over becoming enmeshed in criticism or arguments.

The non-assertive person gets his wish of peace, at the expense of not having his own wishes known or met. Frustration has been defined as "block goal-oriented behavior." The non-assertive person is well acquainted with frustration!

If, in the past, speaking up for yourself created some sort of unpleasantness, you may have "learned" to "keep quiet." If you have become an adult who habitually tries to please others at your own expense, adding some assertive behaviors to your "repertoire" could add substantially to your satisfaction in life.

For example, this scenario may sound familiar. You are trying to lose weight (fat). You are doing very well on your own, and then someone tries to "sabotage" your efforts by offering you things that you are trying to avoid. When they get pushy, you just eat the unwanted fat and calories just to make them happy.

Initially, it probably tastes good, but later, you may feel guilty because you ate something you wished you did not. You may also feel guilty about not having the nerve to tell them "No." ("Guilt" in itself is a powerful trigger to eat emotionally, so beware! We will be looking at guilt in an upcoming article.) You can see how you made **their** need to have you eat this thing more important than **your** need not to.

One thing that happens in behavior management training is that people become more aware of the behaviors that are holding them back from accomplishing their goals, and being the best and happiest that they can be. It is imperative for people to increase their awareness of the behaviors that need changing, before they can apply simple behavioral techniques.

When faced with a potentially frustrating situation, which you have identified as a "trigger" for non-assertive behavior, try these two simple "coping strategies." For example, if you are going to a wedding, picnic, or birthday party, you may want to call the host/hostess **ahead of time**. Also, be careful to use "I feel" and "I need" messages, so that you do not make the other person feel like you are blaming or chastising them in any way.

## Breast Cancer Support At Mercy Hospital

The Breast Cancer Support Group, sponsored by the Women's Pavilion at Mercy Hospital, will meet June 7th and 21st from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Deliso Conference Center at the hospital.

The group, which meets the first and third Tuesday of each month, is open to women who have experienced mastectomy and other breast surgery, or who have been diagnosed as having breast cancer. Family and close friends of the patient are welcome to attend and share their experiences and concerns.

For more information, call 748-9080.

## Diabetic Education At Mercy Hospital

A series of diabetic education programs will be offered in June by the Patient Education Department at Mercy Hospital. The hour-long programs are open to the public at no charge, and will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. in the Deliso Conference Center at the hospital for four consecutive days, beginning June 13th.

(that is considered aggressive behavior).

You might say something like, "I feel so good about the weight I'm losing, I want to continue making progress. I was hoping it might be possible to get some help from you. Do you know if there will be lowfat choices at the event?" Be **very sure to thank anyone** who has helped you fulfill your needs! That rewards **them** so they will be more likely to help you again in the future!

Speaking up for yourself, if it is new to you, will feel awkward and uncomfortable. In other words, it will be outside your "comfort zone." However, as you use any new behavior more and more, it will become more comfortable, and will eventually be inside your comfort zone and established as a new habit itself.



DEBRA MORSE

Assertive communication is important in many aspects of life, because it helps you get what you need, thereby increasing your satisfaction in life. It also boosts your self-esteem because you see yourself as more in control of what happens to you.

In a weight loss program such as the one offered by Debra Morse and Nancy Dell, it is an important issue because pressure from other people can often be a real problem. When you do what is best for yourself, you can reach your goals, and in many ways, improve the quality of your life dramatically.

The next set of Behavior Management Classes offered by Debra Morse, M.Ed. will be starting soon. For more information or to sign up for either the Weight Management Program or the Behavior Management Program, call 789-2992.

## Prenatal Exercise At Providence Hospital

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital is offering an ongoing series of prenatal exercise classes for pregnant women.

Taught by physical therapy professionals specially trained in prenatal exercise, "Moms in Motion" is a stretching and strengthening program designed to deal with the areas of the body most affected by pregnancy. The program provides fun, fitness, and support to expectant women who have completed their first trimester.

Pre-registration is necessary. For more information, call 539-2950.



## Food for Thought

by Nancy Dell  
Registered Dietician

## The Truth About Cranberry Juice

Six-million people visit their doctors each year complaining about urinary tract infections. Folklore always said cranberry juice could help prevent the infections. Now, science says the folklore may be right.

More research is needed, but three published studies show people get some relief from urinary tract infections after drinking 1½ to three glasses of juice every day for up to three weeks. These studies were somewhat flawed.

A new, unflawed Harvard study shows older women who drank 10 ounces of cranberry juice a day for six months were 58% less likely to develop urinary tract infections, compared to similar women who drank a placebo juice.

The cranberry juice may contain an unknown substance that keeps bacteria from sticking to the inside lining of the urinary tract. However, not all bacteria are affected by the juice, and you're protected only if the juice is consumed on a regular basis.

Even Ocean Spray—the makers of cranberry juice—say more evidence is needed before we can confidently recommend cranberry juice to treat urinary tract infections. Doctors do suggest you drink at least eight cups of fluid a day ... if you think cranberry juice reduces the incidence of your bladder infections, drink it.

But, see your doctor if an infection develops, and be aware that a cup of cranberry juice has a whopping 160 calories.

## Eating Disorders Being Addressed At Noble Hospital

People suffering from eating disorders often feel they are all alone; that no one understands what they are going through. They often feel there is no one they can talk to about their condition; that no one wants to listen.

It is exactly for these reasons that Judy Jonaitis, a recovered anorexic, decided to organize a support group for people with eating disorders.

"When I was going through this, I felt so alone," she said. "I've learned so much from my illness that I feel I can help others who are going through the same thing. I just want people to know someone is here who's been there."

The support group, which is open to anyone with an eating disorder, will take place every Tuesday, beginning June 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in Noble Hospital's Education Center on Mill Street, adjacent to the Emergency Room parking lot.

The support group is not under the leadership of a medical professional and people with suspected eating disorders are advised to seek professional help.

The support group is free and anonymous. Registration is not required. For more information, call the Education Department at 568-2811, ext. 421.

## Difficult People Can Be Dealt With Better

Dr. Steve Sobel, director of The New England Institute For Stress and Life Management of West Springfield, announces that he will be presenting two seminars open to the public. Both programs will be held at the Ramada Hotel located in West Springfield.

The seminar "Dancing With Wolves-How to Deal Superbly and Creatively With Difficult People" will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7th.

The seminar "Laugh More, Live Longer-How to Effectively Harness the Power and Benefit of Humor in the Workplace and at Home" will be held Wednesday, June 15th.

Cost is \$18 per person. For every three that attend, a fourth goes free. Call 785-1259 for registration form and full details. Contact hours offered.





## Arts

### David Gallano Exhibit At Ag. Post Office During June

The Agawam Community Artists (under the auspices of the Agawam Cultural Council) is sponsoring an exhibit by area artist David C. Gallano at the Agawam Post Office through the month of June.

A long-term resident of Agawam, Gallano has served the town as a former Town Treasurer and Collector, worked for Western Hampden District Veterans' Services, and served on the Hampden County Retirement Board. He was also the founder, editor, and publisher of the *Agawam Independent* newspaper in the '60s.

"For the past four decades, I have had only three or four lessons from a professional artist," stated Gallano. "I'm basically self-taught."

Gallano stated that he follows a family trait in art: "My brother was a painter. I guess I come by it naturally."

Gallano explained that he did a lot of sketching as a soldier during World War II: "While serving in the South Pacific, I often pencil-sketches blow-ups from small portraits of pictures of wives and girlfriends of my service buddies."

He added, "This experience using pencil and charcoal to express myself in an artistic manner, perked my further interest in art."

Following his discharge from the service Medical Corps, Gallano would occasionally continue to pick up his brushes and paint and spend a few hours to create another artwork. He admits that this pace of training was not "consistent" for an artist, but it did keep his hand in it: "I used to produce one or two pieces a year."

Gallano explained, "Having served the Town of Agawam for some 40 years, I found it quite difficult to find time to improve my work, but in the last few years of retirement, I feel I can express myself again."

Gallano hopes to continue this service to Agawam by putting together a history of the Town of Agawam.

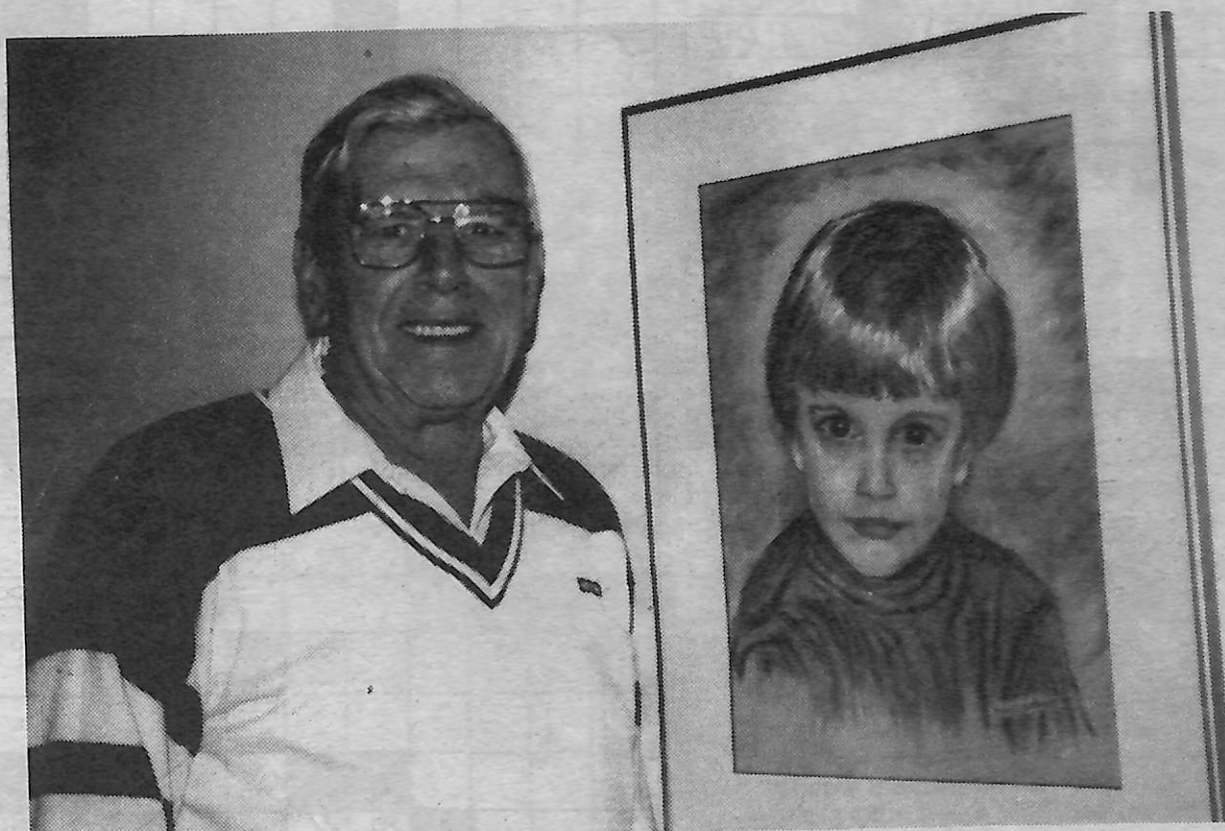
"My intention is to distribute throughout its pages, some pen and ink drawings of the old and historical homes that are throughout the town," he explained.

When referring to his art, Gallano stated, "I have my own distinct style," adding, "Most artists have their own style. Who are we to make comparisons of which art is better or worse?"

He concluded, "After all, everyone is an artist in his own right in one form or another."

Gallano has exhibited his work at the Agawam Public Library and in private collections in the area.

Anyone interested in the above artist or the Agawam Community Artists can contact Beverly Secondo-Wands at 786-7742, or DeBorah A. Allen at 786-6087.



DAVID C. GALLANO, 75, a long-time prominent civic and political figure in Agawam, has turned to art during his retirement years. Some of his works will be on display during the month of June at the Agawam Post Office. Gallano also writes a regular column for *The AAN* recalling the early 1970's when the manager/council form of government came to town.

### Community Theatre...

## French Comedy/Drama To Open

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

When *Les Liasons Dangereuse* opens at the Westfield Women's Club Friday, audiences (adults only, please) are in for a treat ... a lush period production with lavish costumes and opulent settings.

Cast and crew have been meeting nightly under the direction of Bob Lavolette to put the finishing touches on *Les Liasons Dangereuse* (Dangerous Liaisons), an adult drama about lust, love, greed, seduction, treachery, and revenge—not your average night of theater in Westfield.

"This is not a play for children," said Lavolette as he dissected a run-through of Act One.

In the auditorium at the Westfield Women's Club, the cast is scattered, some lacing into period costumes while others huddle on the sidelines, running lines of dialogue with varying intonation.

seeking no less than perfection.

Costuming is a big part of the *Liaisons* picture: some of the garments worn by the cast weigh in excess of 30 pounds, to say nothing of wearing the lace, silk, and heavy brocades on a warm rehearsal night.

"I'll be almost seven feet tall," said veteran player Lopsy, who at 5'10" barefoot will tower across the stage in heels and a pompadour wig that adds another eight inches in height.

Her gown for Act One is actually three pieces: a billowing silk underskirt, an overskirt strategically snapped into place, and a bodice with overlay sleeves that when not cinched at the wrists

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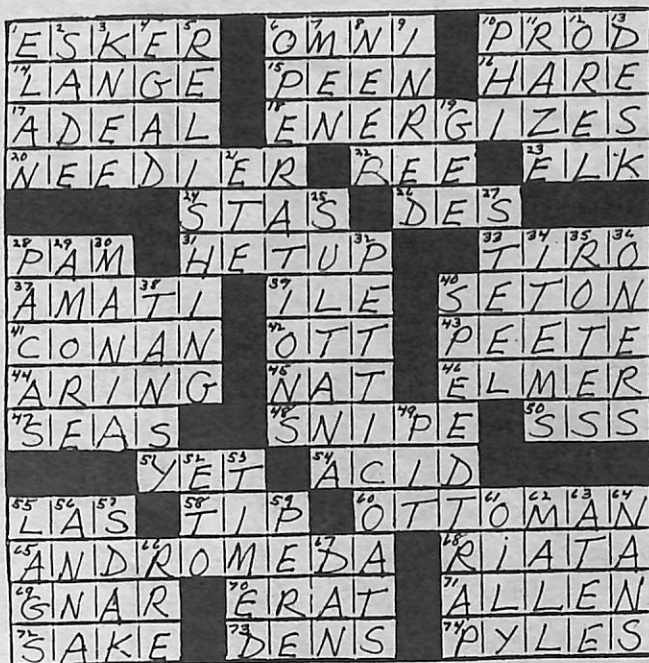
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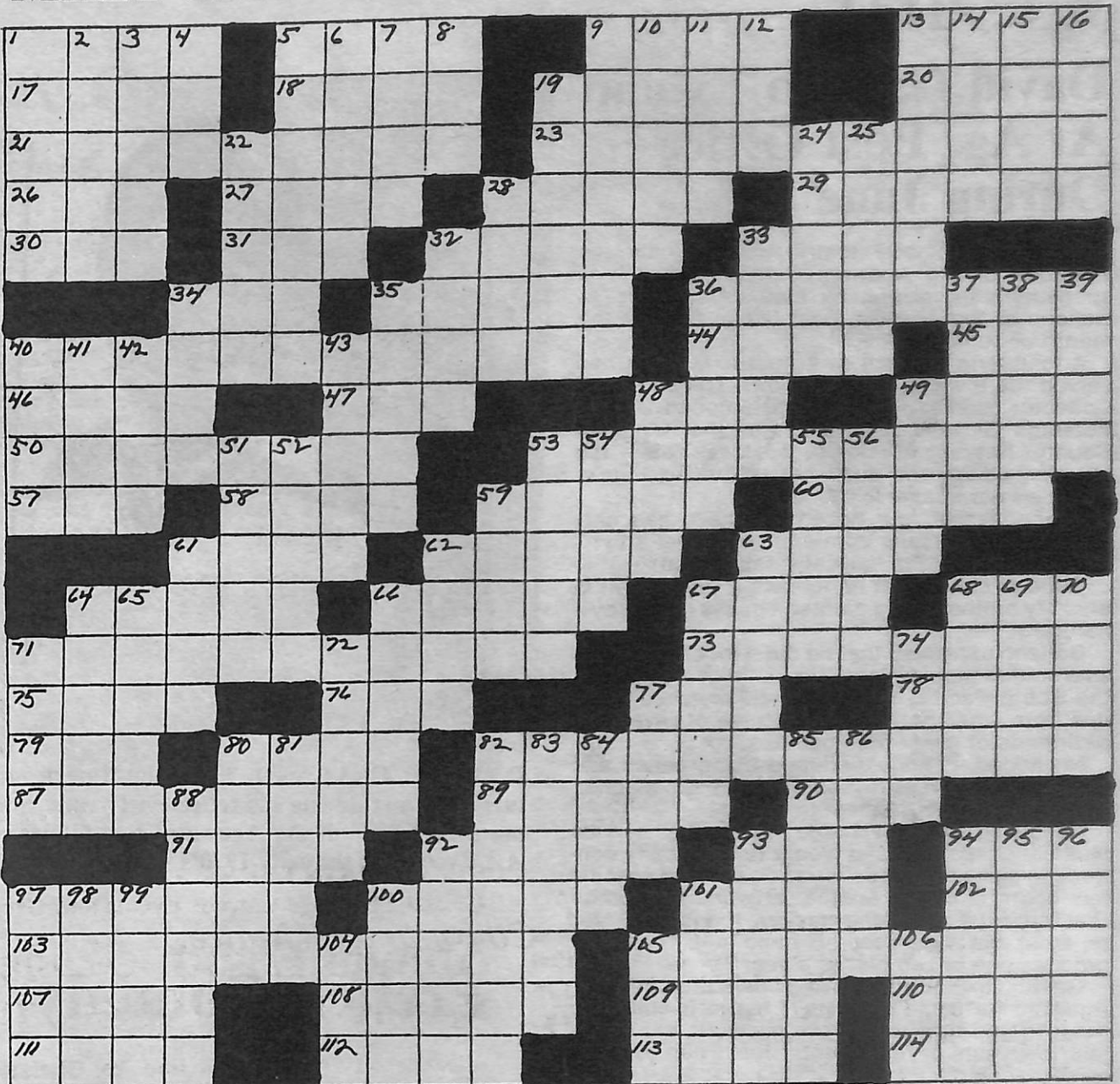
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## MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



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stretch to four feet in length. All of that is piled over heavy pads ("panniers") that ride on the hips, which make such simple actions as sitting down on a sofa a fine art requiring rehearsal, repetition, and strict attention to detail.

"The wealthy women of Revolutionary France were quite talented in their own right, just managing those dresses. In warm weather it was plenty hot and uncomfortable in them," Laviolette said.

The women in the cast agreed, opting to rehearse with the windows flung open, fans running at full speed, and without lighting effects... all of which worked to combat the humidity of that day.

The black lace and midnight blue gown worn by Lopsy in Act One is actually an award-winning design original to the role of the Queen of Night in a national production of *The Magic Flute*. The iridescent brocade waistcoat with heavy sleeves and deep cuff worn by Tim O'Brien as the Viscomte de Valmont are no lighter in weight, and unlike the women's garments with open necklines to provide minimal cooling, the Viscomte's clothing fastens to the chin.

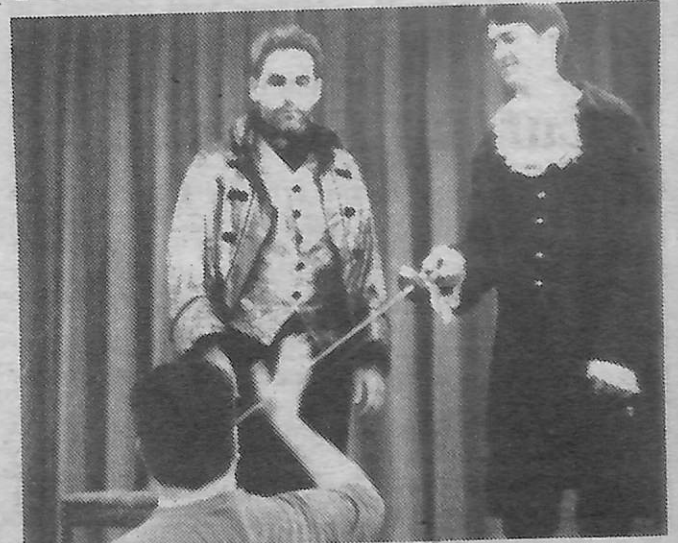
Many of the costumes have been faithfully reproduced from the film adaptation (*Dangerous Liaisons* with Glenn Close and John Malkovich) by costumer Marianne Scognamiglio. Much of the furnishings for the set are authentic antiques on loan for the production.

In addition, the Women's Club stage has something new: a raised turntable that will allow stage crews to change one set even as another scene plays out before the audience. With a one-hour and 15-minute, eight-scene first act, speedy scene changes are critical to the success of the production.

The play poses a challenge to the acting skills of the leading players, since the best that can be said of either character is that they are despicable people.

Lopsy plays the wealthy socialite and courtesan, the Marquise de Merteuil, who is deliciously evil. Lopsy's initial reaction was that she "could not play someone like that."

"Then I realized that I liked this woman," Lopsy said. "She is bad, but she doesn't let men get away with anything. But she's an amoral person who plays games with people's lives."



DIRECTOR BOB LAVIOLETTE instructs actors Tim O'Brien and Eric Harlow in proper rapier technique for scene in "Les Liaisons Dangereuses."

O'Brien is Valmont, the kind of cad an audience wants to kill.

"Are you ready to kill him yet?" O'Brien quips to the audience between takes during a recent rehearsal. O'Brien, with the rough edges of a beard, deep-set eyes, and a lecherous smirk, can (with the arch of an eyebrow) seem at once charming and diabolical as he preys upon women of all ages.

Even as he courts the Marquise, he lusts after the beautiful young wife, Emilie (Jackie Doty), and seduces charming young debutante Cecile (Jackie Buzzee), who is fresh out of the convent.

The drama unfolds in splendid violence, with sword fights, hair-pulling, and not a few tumbles to the stage as passion and revenge wage war. The issues are adult issues, the drama is very real, and the messages are timeless. It is tastefully produced, but definitely not for children.

The cast also includes Eric Harlow, Laura Lezon-Scantlen, Gil Long, Amy Nyzio, and David Sartori.

This Chris-Bob production runs June 3rd-4th and June 10th-11th at the Westfield Women's Club, 28 Court Street. For ticket information, call 572-6838.

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## Education



**JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT** Timothy Hooks was the school's highest scorer in the Global Challenge Contest. He finished number 83 in the country. Tim is pictured with his teacher, William Quinn. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Jr. High Students Score Nationally In Current Events

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

During the first week of February, all seventh grade social studies classes at Agawam Junior High School participated in Global Challenge '94, a national competition in current events and geography for junior high and high school students.

Competing in the Junior Contest for grades seven, eight, and nine, the AJHS seventh graders placed their school in the top five percent of schools across the country.

Of the 332 schools entered in the junior contest, AJHS came in at number 17 and two Agawam students were among the top scoring of the 12,135 entrants. The two will be receiving an award for their excellence in geography.

**Timothy Hooks** ranked at number 83 and **Erik Sunny** came in at number 123 to place within the top one percent of seventh graders across the country.

The contest consisted of 50 multiple choice questions and had to be completed within 45 minutes. The questions covered topics ranging from autonomy for the PLO in the Middle East to the NAFTA Treaty to the Hubble telescope.

#### First Time For AJHS

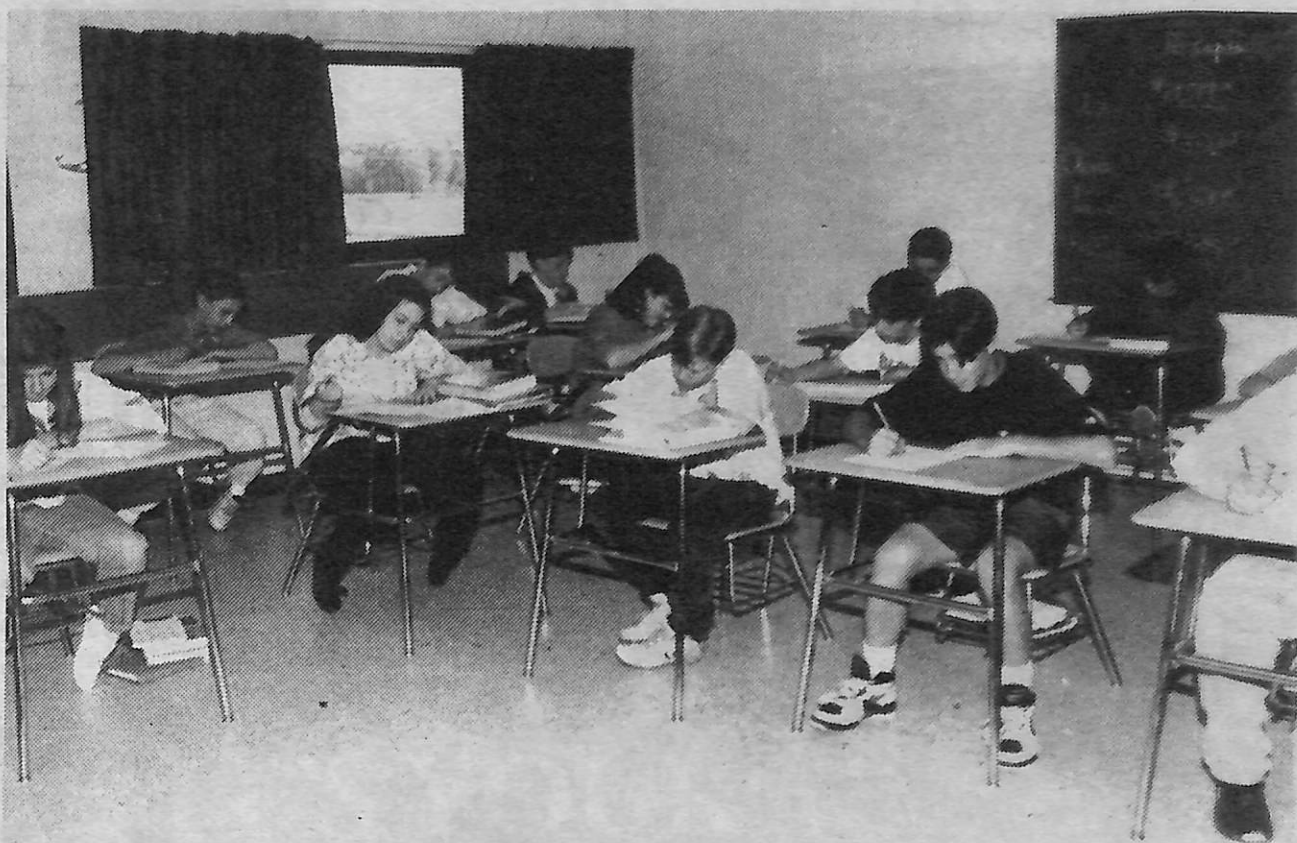
Social Studies Chairman William Quinn said he was surprised and pleased at how well the students did in the contest. It was the first time AJHS students put their knowledge of current events to the test in a national contest.

"It was a pleasant surprise that we could compete so well against all of those students," Quinn said.

Quinn credited the parents of the students with the impressive test results. Quinn said that although the Social Studies Department can take some credit for encouraging the students to take an interest in everything that is going on around the world, most of the students' interest in watching the news and reading newspapers came from home.

Faculty members Paul Quinn and Gail Dion joined Quinn in seeking PTO funding for the project. According to Quinn, the PTO not only funded this year's contest, they have agreed to pick up the tab for all seventh and eighth grade students to enter the contests next year.

Quinn said he was interested in seeing whether this year's scores were representative of Agawam. "We hope they will continue to do well and we look forward to seeing if they've improved," Quinn said.



**STUDENTS IN THE SEVENTH GRADE** social studies class of Gail Dion participated in the Global Challenge Current Events and Geography Contest. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Annual Eighth Grade Dance Scheduled For Friday Night, June 10th In Cafeteria

The Junior High School and its PTO have scheduled the eighth grade dance for June 10th. The dance hours are 7:30 to 10:00 p.m.

This dance is not a semi-formal, but the students are encouraged to dress their best. This means gowns and tuxes are not required.

The rules for the dance will be given to all students purchasing a ticket and are printed below. Any parents who are interested in chaperoning are asked to please call Nancy Melbourne, 786-1418.

#### Eighth Grade School Dance Rules & Regulations

1. Dance tickets must be purchased from PTO members during school lunches. No tickets will be sold at the door. Only Agawam Junior High eighth grade students may attend the dance. No guests from other grades or schools will be allowed.

2. Dress code - DRESS YOUR BEST. No shorts, t-shirts, or ripped jeans. Boys will wear a shirt and

tie.

3. Once you arrive at the dance, you must remain in the cafeteria area. You will not be allowed to leave. If you leave, you will not be allowed to return.

4. Dance hours are 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. Students only will be allowed to enter and exit the building through the main entrance. Please arrange to have your transportation pick you up no later than 10:00 p.m.

5. Students are expected to conduct themselves appropriately. Any violation of the rules in the student handbook will result in notification of parents, suspension, expulsion, or other disciplinary measures. Adult chaperones—parents, teachers, and administrators—will be present throughout the cafeteria, ready to help students with any problems and enforcing the rules. A police officer will also be present, enforcing the rules.

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DURING NATIONAL CHILD SAFETY WEEK, the little children enrolled at Robyn's Nest Family Daycare on Shoemaker Lane were treated to a demonstration by the Agawam Fire Department. The children were given instructions on fire safety and prevention and learned how to call 911 in case of an emergency. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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## Agawam Schools' Weekly Lunch Menu

**Monday, June 6th:** Steamed frankfort in roll, mustard, relish, catsup, oven French fries, chilled peaches in syrup, milk.

**Tuesday, June 7th:** Hamburg steak with brown gravy, whipped potato, seasoned mixed vegetables, bread & butter, chocolate brownie, milk.

**Wednesday, June 8th:** Cold meat sandwich in roll with lettuce & tomato, mayonnaise, oven potato puffs, sweet potato spice cake with icing, milk.

**Thursday, June 9th:** Super taco boat with cheese topping, mild taco sauce, seasoned niblet corn, chocolate pudding with topping or fruit cup, milk.

**Friday, June 10th:** Oven baked sea nuggets with catsup or tartar sauce, 1/2 baked potato, seasoned green & wax beans, ice cream, milk.

(NOTE: Please remember to purchase your tickets on Mondays for the week. Personal checks are accepted, payable to: The Agawam School Lunch.)

## Annual Jazz Night Set For Agawam High

The Annual Jazz Night Concert will take place on Tuesday evening, June 7th, at 7:00 p.m., outdoors in front of the High School.

This concert presents the Agawam High School and Junior High School Jazz Bands for one final performance for the 1993-94 school year.

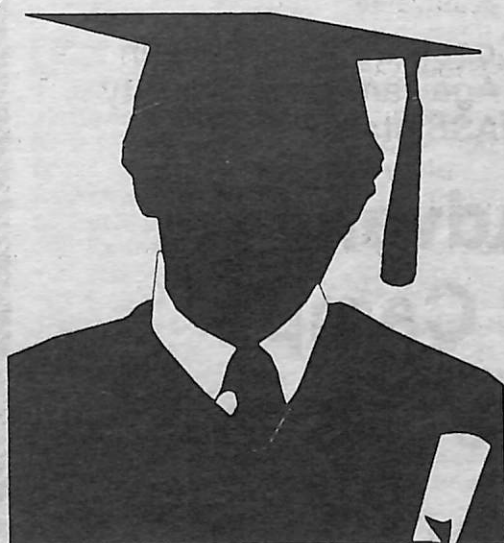
Both ensembles have had very good years, with several awards coming their way. The High School Jazz Band is under the direction of Scott Thomson, and the Junior High Jazz Band is under the direction of Tamara Watson.

There is no admission fee for this concert. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held in the AHS Auditorium.

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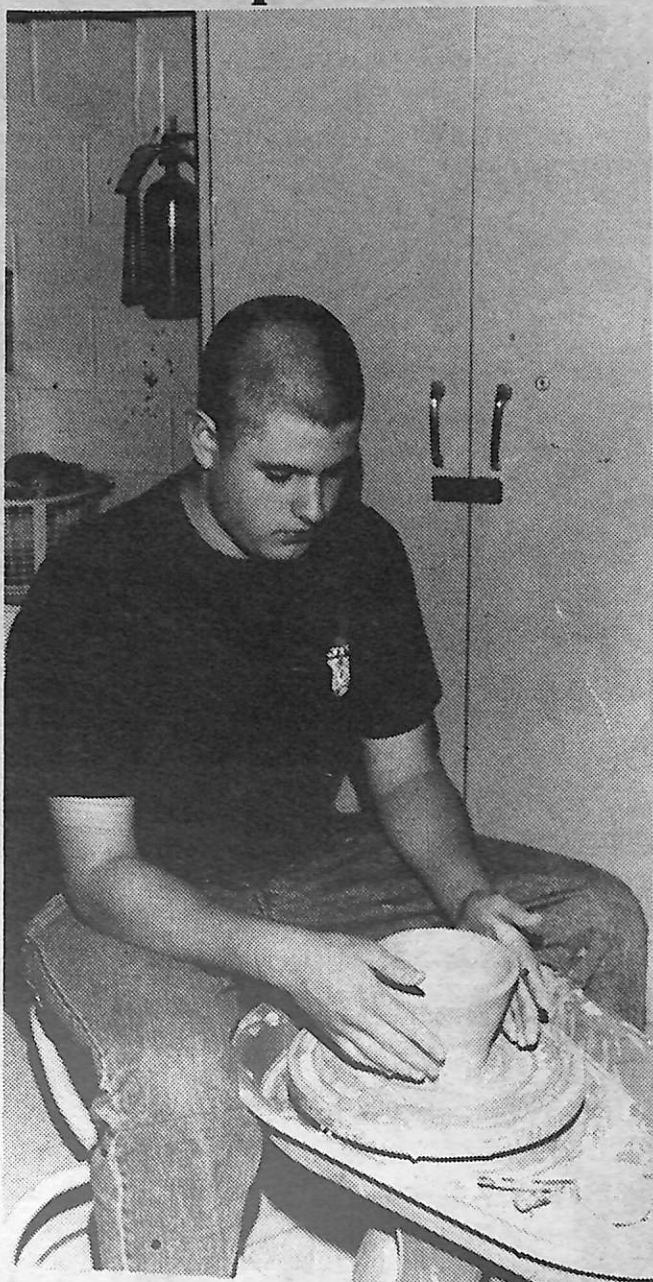
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## AHS Top Art Student



JOE GAGNON, a freshman at Agawam High, has been selected as the "Art Student of the Month." Although Joe entered the pottery class late in the year, his intense interest in the subject, combined with many hours of practice, have resulted in his becoming a proficient potter. Joe can throw a pot on the wheel like a pro. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AMY PARADYSZ

## Amy Paradysz Takes Tour Of Greece

Amy Paradysz of 370 Barry Street, Feeding Hills is currently in Greece as part of a group selected from Gordon College.

She is completing a "walking tour" of Greece and Crete in a course of study offered by Dr. Scott Carroll, entitled "Classical Greece."

Amy will be returning June 15th.

Amy is a 1992 graduate of Agawam High School, has attended Gordon College in Wenham, Mass., and is now attending UMASS at Amherst.

## Matthew Normand Inducted Into WNEC Honor Society

Matthew P. Normand of Agawam was recently inducted into the Western New England Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society. He is the son of Paul Normand of Easthampton, and Beverly Normand of Agawam.

Alpha Lambda is a national organization with 219 chapters and 450,000 members. It recognizes academic achievement for freshman and university students. Students must have maintained a 3.50 or better grade point average to be named for membership.

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## Kimberly Galarneau Named To Who's Who

Kimberly Galarneau of Agawam was named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* at the 24th Annual Co-Curricular Awards Dinner of Western New England College.

She is majoring in marketing, and is the daughter of Joseph and Sandra Galarneau of Agawam.

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## U.S. Postal Service Copied By Students At Phelps School

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

During the week of May 16th-20th, the corridor behind Janet Wysocki's third grade classroom at Phelps School was transformed into the Phelps Mail Service. Third grade students manned an authentic looking post office, complete with stamp collecting displays and reminders to mail early and use a zip code for faster service.

Twice each day, Mrs. Wysocki's third graders take turns with the students of Beth Robinson and Sheryl Mardeusz delivering mail to 34 zip codes located all over the school.

Each classroom, office, or area has its own zip code and there's even a general delivery zip code in case a student doesn't know which zip code to use.

After the mail is collected from the mail box outside Room 20, the third graders put what they've learned about mail handling to the test—they stack, cancel, and sort the mail before the mail carriers don their hats, pick up their bags, and set off on their appointed routes.

Mrs. Wysocki said the project grew out of a need for the children to have hands-on activities to support the lessons they were learning in the classroom about community services.

"Talking about it is just not enough for them to learn," Mrs. Wysocki said.

### Logical Expansion

Since all third graders were learning the same lessons in their social studies classes, it seemed logical for the project to expand to become a cooperative effort among the three third grade teachers.

The entire school became involved in the project as the teachers use the opportunity to work with the students on letter writing skills, as well as the proper way to address an envelope.

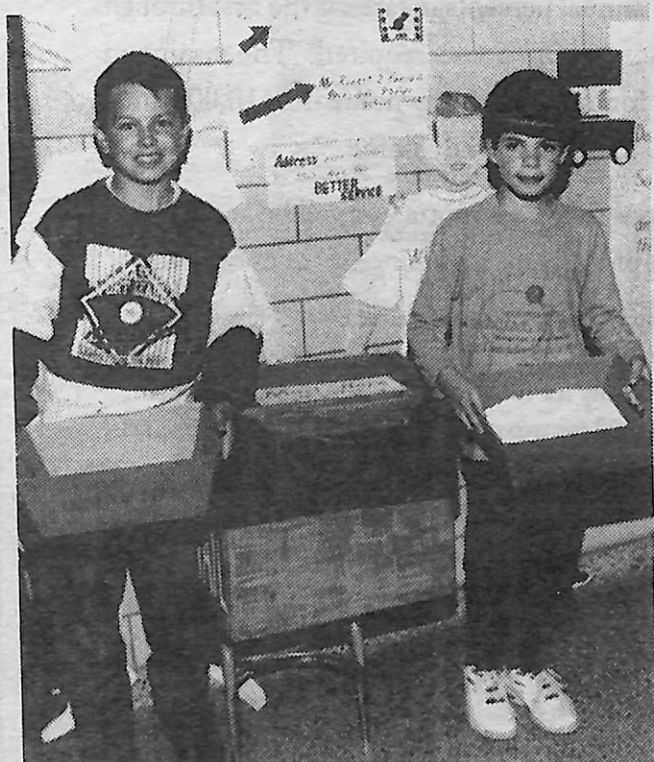
Mrs. Wysocki said the Phelps Mail Service operates close to the end of the school year to give the students, especially the fourth graders who will be moving up to the Middle School, an opportunity to send a letter to a special friend, teacher, or staff member before the summer vacation.

In addition to learning teamwork and cooperation in the running of the post office, the children get a chance to fill out a job application and learn more about how different jobs may be assigned based on an employee's skills and interests.

The children also take a look into the history of the postal service that dates back to ancient Egypt and China as well as touching on the high points of interest in the development of the US Postal Service. The students received some authentic postal materials, including sorting boxes and cancellation stamps, from the Agawam Post Office for use by the Phelps Mail Service.

Mrs. Wysocki said the children all look forward to the twice daily deliveries of mail, hoping for a letter from a friend. "If you want to get mail, you've got to write to someone," Mrs. Wysocki reminded her students.

On its first day of operation this year, the Phelps Mail Service handled over 200 pieces of mail and postal workers were looking forward to a busy week as students and staff began answering their mail.



PREPARING TO DELIVER MAIL at Phelps School are student mail carriers Eric McLaughlin and Michael DeFilippi. Advertiser

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PUTTING THEIR STAMPS OF APPROVAL on the Phelps School mail service are students Cristen Sacco, Tara Witte, Brittany Theriaque, Johanna Masotti, and Brian Marsh. Advertiser

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SHOWING-OFF the various zip codes for Phelps School are student Kristan LaGuercia, Michael Eggleston, Jordi Garcia, Daniel Drewniak, and Patricia Fitchben. Advertiser News photo by

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**ROBINSON PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL William Sapelli (back row, center) and his faculty and staff.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

*Recognizing Agawam's Teachers - Week Two...*

## *Teachers & Staff At Robinson Park*

The following is a list of administrators and faculty members at Robinson Park School, noting their years of service.

The month of May was designated as "Agawam Educators' Appreciation Month," and *The Agawam Advertiser News* is proud to continue with its coverage of our town's dedicated educators.

### **30-38 YEARS OF SERVICE**

Harriet Aspden (33) and Sylvia Ready (32).

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### **1-9 YEARS OF SERVICE**

Barbara Regish (9), Deborah Pellegrino (8), and Francine Bigda (2).

## **Agawam Unico To Award Scholarships On Wed., June 8th**

Agawam Unico National will be holding its annual scholarship dinner on Wednesday, June 8th, at Alexander's Restaurant in Feeding Hills.

Cocktails will be served from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Dinner selections are stuffed boneless breast of capon or baked stuffed scrod, at a cost of \$15 per person.

Unico's scholarship awards are based on academic excellence, personal achievements in school, and community activities.

For dinner reservations, please contact Walter Balboni, 786-2438; Tom Coppola, 786-2701; or Louis Russo, 786-9701.

## **Jr. High PTO Elects New Officers For 1994-'95 School Year**

The Agawam Junior High School PTO held its election of officers for the 1994-1995 school year at the May 16th meeting.

Next year's officers are Donna Shibley, president; Kathy Mouneimneh, first vice-president; Susan Hoague, second vice-president; Judy Lavin, secretary; Helen Manning, treasurer.

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# Memorial Day Essays Show Pride In Being American

**1ST PLACE - by Angela Tassinari**  
"World War II"

When a subject like that comes up, not only do people remember the war but many have mixed feelings about it. Some knew soldiers of the war and think of the sad times or the victorious times like seeing family again. Others remember the American effort as a whole and realize how many brave Americans set all else aside and fought for their country.

The years of 1939-1945 were definitely remembered as gruesome ones. Battles were fought. People were killed. Nearly all around the world, people suffered. It began in 1939 when Germany and its leader, Adolf Hitler, attacked Poland. Hitler's power soon grew to be too much. The United States finally took action after many countries in Europe and Asia had been taken over. Troops and war supplies were sent into the war to try and regain control.

Hitler was eventually defeated and the war was ended in 1945. Even though the war was over, countries suffered greatly from damages as a result of the war. Many soldiers, if not dead, suffered from very poor conditions. Cities and countries that the war made its way through were torn to shreds and all were experiencing the tough times.

Almost five decades later, a grateful nation remembers World War II. Along with other respectable servicemen, soldiers of the war are honored on Memorial Day for their contributions to the U.S. Instead of thinking about the bad times of World War II, we should bow our heads for one moment in remembrance of the brave American soldiers who risked their lives for their nation. We should be proud of them all.

**2ND PLACE - by Megan Conkey**  
"A Grateful Nation Remembers"

World War II was a very dramatic time in people's lives. Many things happened that would not be thought to happen today. I interviewed my grandmother. She was in high school when the war was started. The first time she heard of the war was on Sunday morning on December 7, 1941. She remembered the exact time of day!

My grandmother said she had to do many things differently from everyday life. She had to get food stamps, she could not eat certain foods, and she could not buy silk stockings because they were rationed. The women had to take over men's jobs because all the men were at war.

The women had to practice civil defense. This was practicing putting your shades down and



**ESSAY AND POSTER CONTEST winners for Memorial Day** were named by the Agawam Veterans' Council. From left - Angela Tassinari, Anthony Goodrow, Jennifer Zerra, Megan Conkey, Melody Serafino, and Edward Kellogg, Essay/Poster Contest chairman. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

hiding all lights so the Japanese could not see them and bomb them. This was called the blackout.

My grandmother's brothers had many scary moments in the army. One brother was going to Japan and got there just after the atom bomb was dropped. Another brother was on a ship when a torpedo was aimed right at his ship by the enemy. When it was shot, though, the ship next to his got blown up.

I asked my grandmother what she would have wanted to do, if she was older, to help in the war. She said she wanted to join the W.A.C.S. or the W.A.V.E.S, which were armies for women.

From talking to my grandmother, I have learned how the people in that period of time had to adjust their lives. I also learned that men and women had a fair share in winning the war for America.

**3RD PLACE - by Jennifer Zerra**  
"World War II, A Grateful Nation Remembers"

This year is the 50th anniversary of World War

II. A war in which fourteen and a half million soldiers and thirteen million civilians were killed. The war left many countries in complete ruin. The total cost of the war could only be estimated. Fewer and fewer veterans of World War II are with us every year. We must all hope that the memories of the war will stay alive forever and that the lessons the world learned will always be treasured.

This May, we must all remember the people who fought and gave their lives to bring freedom to their countries and to the world. World War II shaped the world that we all live in today. If the Nazis had taken control, we may only guess at what the world would now be like. So, we must never take for granted the freedom we enjoy today. We should all be grateful for the people around the world who gave their lives for us and for their countries.

If we keep these memories alive, hopefully my children and grandchildren will never have to relive another horrible war. We can all hope that in the future, the leaders of countries around the world can learn to work out the problems in the confinement of an office, rather than taking the lives of so many people.

## Thanking Early Childhood Staff



**STAFF MEMBERS** and Special Education Director Dr. John F. Brosnan of the Early Childhood Center at Perry Lane. Teachers are Andrea Brinnel (lead teacher), Laura Czerpak, Debbie King, Joyce Rheame, Liz Zerra, and Teresa Urbinati. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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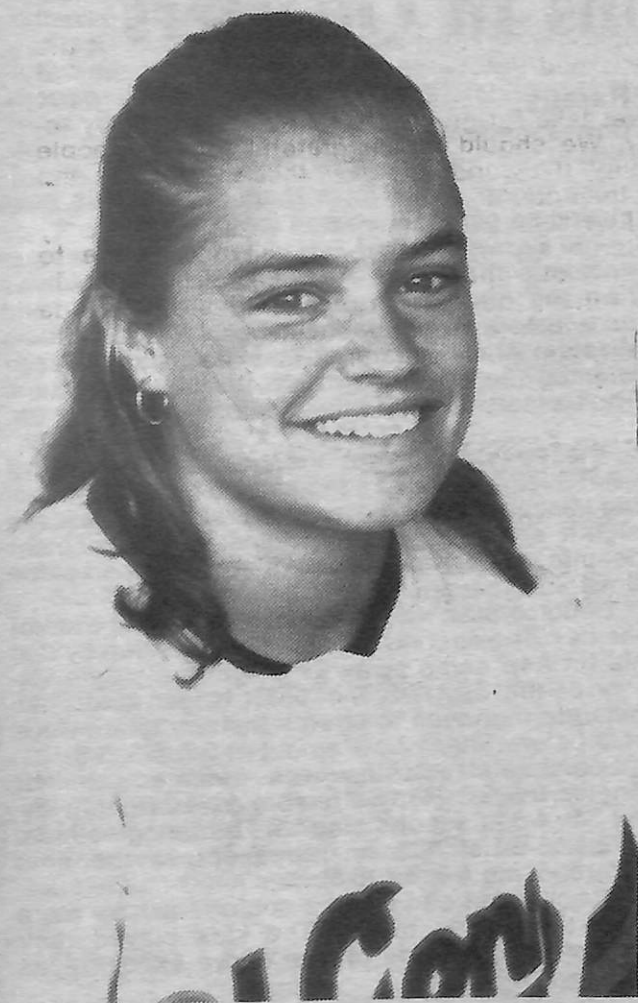
**MEMBERS OF THE STUDENT BODY** at Granger School hit the playground for a morning exercise program with staff members from Fitness First Health & Racquet Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

regulars in batting average, hitting .245 (36-for-147) at the plate. She also scored 25 runs, fourth best on the squad, while her 18 RBI tied for third highest on the team.

In the field, she committed just 10 errors in 153 total chances, for a fielding average of .935. Her 95 assists were third highest among all UConn players. In the 17 BIG EAST regular season games, Stephanie batted .268 (15-for-56), scoring nine runs with seven RBI. She shared BIG EAST

Co-Rookie of the Year honors with Boston College freshman pitcher Alexis Beckman.

At Agawam High School, Mason was a First Team All-Western Massachusetts standout in softball as a junior and senior, and All-Western Massachusetts in soccer (First Team) and in basketball (Second Team) as a senior. A three-year captain of the softball team, Stephanie finished her high school softball career with a .380 batting average and 52 stolen bases.



STEPHANIE MASON

### Stephanie Mason Stars For UConn Softball

Feeding Hills resident Stephanie Mason completed her freshman year on the University of Connecticut women's softball team. The starting third baseman on the 29-18 UConn Husky team, Mason was selected the 1994 BIG EAST Conference Co-Rookie of the Year.

Mason, a 1993 graduate of Agawam High School, helped lead head coach Karen Mullins' UConn team to its third consecutive BIG EAST regular season title with a 15-2 record. The Huskies were four-time defending BIG EAST Tournament champions before placing second at the annual league tourney this past May 1st. UConn also ended the season ranked No. 3 in the NCAA Northeast Region.

A starter at third base in all 47 games for the Huskies, Mason placed sixth among all Husky

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## Sports

### Brownie Golfers End 4th In WMass After Team Tournament

by Mike Parent  
Advertiser News Correspondent

The Agawam High golf team ended its season by placing fourth in a strong field at the Western Mass. Individual and Team Tournament held at Wyantenuck Country Club in Great Barrington.

Agawam's team score of 332 placed it behind champion Longmeadow (326), Chicopee (329), and Cathedral (331). Team scores are determined by taking the team's four lowest individual scores.

"I knew we'd be competitive. Anything can happen in these tournaments. It is pretty much a one-shot deal," Coach Paul Bachini told us. "A lot of good teams have left the WMass Tournament empty handed."

AHS got a big lift from Ryan Harlin, the team's number five golfer. He scored a team best 80. What made the score even more surprising was that it was Harlin's first match since he broke his hand four weeks ago.

Agawam's number one golfer, D.J. Rapacki, was second with an 82. Number four man Greg Borecki scored an 85 as did number three Eric Charest.

The Brownies finished the regular season at an impressive 12-2.



SENIOR CLASS MEMBERS of the Agawam High golf team who helped the Brownies to a 12-2 regular season and a fourth place finish in Western Mass. From left - Ryan Harlin, Greg Borecki, Cory Chianciola, and Eric Charest. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Brownie Girls Win An Ugly One Over West Side, 4-3

by Mike Parent  
Advertiser News Correspondent

For the Agawam High softball team, winning ugly will do just fine. The Brownies got only one hit, but it was enough to defeat the West Springfield Terriers, 4-3 on Tuesday afternoon in the regular season finale for both squads.

The win moved the Brownies to 17-2 overall, 6-2 in the Valley League. AHS will most likely be named the second seed in the upcoming Division I Western Mass. Tournament behind undefeated Amherst. The Hurricanes sent the locals to their own defeats through the regular campaign. Tournament seedings were being named at presstime.

A bunt single by Courtne Hyland in the third inning was the only hit of the game for the Brownies. Hyland took advantage of a passed ball to come around and score Agawam's first run. Later that inning, pitcher Lauren Seymour would also score after reaching on a walk.

Seymour kept the Terriers in check all game long and allowed only five safeties. She overcame six errors but also was the recipient of some excellent plays in the field.

Junior Kristen Schmaelzle made a diving catch in centerfield in the fifth inning, and shorstop April Rapa made a game-saving grab in the seventh. With the tying runner on third base, Rapa made a sprinting catch on a short pop-up behind third base.

The win made Seymour 11-0 for the season and 27-3 over her three years at AHS. "She's not overpowering, but she keeps total concentration on the mound," Coach Debbie Lickley said.

Agawam added two more runs in the fifth. Hyland and Becky Wing both walked and came around to score.

"It was a strange game," Miss Lickley said. "We've been involved in a lot of close games. It makes us tougher."

### AHS Girls' Tennis In Semi-Finals; Boys Bow To Falcons In Quarters

by Mike Parent  
Advertiser News Correspondent

The Agawam High boys' and girls' tennis teams have made a habit of playing opponents tough all season long and Tuesday afternoon's Western Mass. quarterfinals were no different.

The girls' team nipped the West Springfield Terriers, 3-2 and advanced to the semifinals. The boys were defeated 4-1 by the Minnechaug Falcons.

The girls' win avenged an earlier 3-2 loss to West Springfield during the regular season. Western Mass. individual finalist and Agawam's first singles, senior Yvonne Hodel, continued her romp through WMass competition with an easy, 6-2, 6-1 win.

Senior Joana Monteiro-Grillo lost at second singles the first time these two teams met, but she came back strong to win this time around. After losing the first set 3-6, Monteiro-Grillo came back to tough-out the next two sets, 6-4, 6-4.

Agawam's third team win came from the first doubles pair of Alison Jean and Jen Touchette. The seniors were in command from the beginning, winning 6-2, 7-5.

Hard luck losers of the day were the second doubles team of Lisa Savioli and Celeste Arraztoa. The senior duo narrowly won the first set 6-4, but lost the next two by the slim margins of 6-7 (4-7 in the tie-breaker) and 5-7.

Brenda Borkosky was defeated at third singles, 2-6, 0-6.

Veteran Coach Mary Wolochowicz said of her team, most of whom are seniors. "They are a

close group. We'll miss them. These kids have played so gutsy all season long."

The Brownies came into the match as the tournament's fifth seed. At presstime the Brownies have the formidable task of facing top-seeded and undefeated Longmeadow High, the defending Western Mass. champs. This team just missed winning the state team title the last two years. The Lancers defeated the locals, 5-0 on May 11th.

The boys' team got first-hand experience of what it is like to face a top-seeded team when facing Minnechaug in the quarterfinals. Agawam, the eighth and lowest seed, made the tournament despite a 7-8 record thanks to a second-place finish in the league.

Doubles play was the Brownies' strong area of the day. The second doubles team of Xuan Ly and Martin Asp came away with Agawam's lone victory of the day, 7-5, 6-4. John Hogan and Jose Ricarte managed to stretch their match to three sets before finally bowing out at 5-7, 6-3, 3-6.

Senior Matt Bellico was defeated at first singles, 0-6, 0-6. Rob Settembro gave a fight in losing 3-6, 4-6 at second singles. Third singles Marc Swikalus stretched his opponent to the limit before losing 4-6, 6-7 (6-8).

Coach Ken Dean said he couldn't ask for more from this year's team. "The kids played their hearts out. Everyone played above expectations this season."

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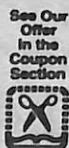
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## AHS Tracksters Are Ready For State Competition

by Mike Parent  
Advertiser News Correspondent

The Agawam High boys' and girls' track teams wrapped up the WMass portion of their schedule Saturday in the Western Massachusetts Division I track meet held at Springfield College.

For some, however, the season is not over. The boys' team will send athletes from a whopping nine events to the State Championships, while the girls' team will send athletes in three events. The State Championships will be held Saturday, June 4th, at Bridgewater State College.

The boys' team, which already shocked many by posting a 6-2 record this season, placed fifth with 48 points. That total was 25 points behind the champion, Minnechaug. The girls' team struggled to a 2-7 record this year, but picked up their performance at the meet. They finished in a tie for seventh with 30 points, 48 behind the first-place Pittsfield team.

"We didn't perform as well as I would have liked," boys' coach Jeff Peterson said. "But, we had a lot of new kids, kids that are inexperienced. They really hustled and tried their best."

The boys' only champion of the day was senior pole vaulter Joe Scherpa. Scherpa's victory capped a season in which he continually improved. He came in on a roll, winning the Valley League Individual event the week before with a vault of 10-6. Given a third seed for the WMass meet, Scherpa outdid himself by winning the event with a season's best vault of 11-0.

A pair of runners, Chris Benjamin and Dan Moriarty, kept Agawam's strong performance going with second-place finishes. Both came into the WMass meet undefeated and top-seeded, but had to settle for second place. Moriarty ran the 400 and lost by only .38 of a second to defending Champion Lance Ross of Pittsfield. Benjamin ran a 16.42 in the hurdles, but was outlasted by Shaun Wheat of Taconic.

Jason Rossi (shotput) and the 4 x 400 team followed up first-place Valley League performances with third-place finishes at the WMass meet. Others qualifying for the state meet were Joe Bianca (discus), Todd Boskiewicz (triple jump), Brandon Moore (800), Derek Poole (400), and the 4 x 100 team.

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Leading the way for the girls' team was the 4 x 100 relay team. The combination of Nina Giordano, Kara McDade, Nicole DeCosmo, and Erica Schlaffer upset higher-seeded teams from Cathedral and Central to win the event in 51.78. The team entered the WMass meet as the third seed, but wound up edging Cathedral by .25 of a second.

Sue DeFilipi was narrowly beaten in the high jump by Megan Burke of Minnechaug. Burke needed her best jump of the year, 5-3, to beat DeFilipi. DeFilipi cleared the bar at 5-1 to claim second place.

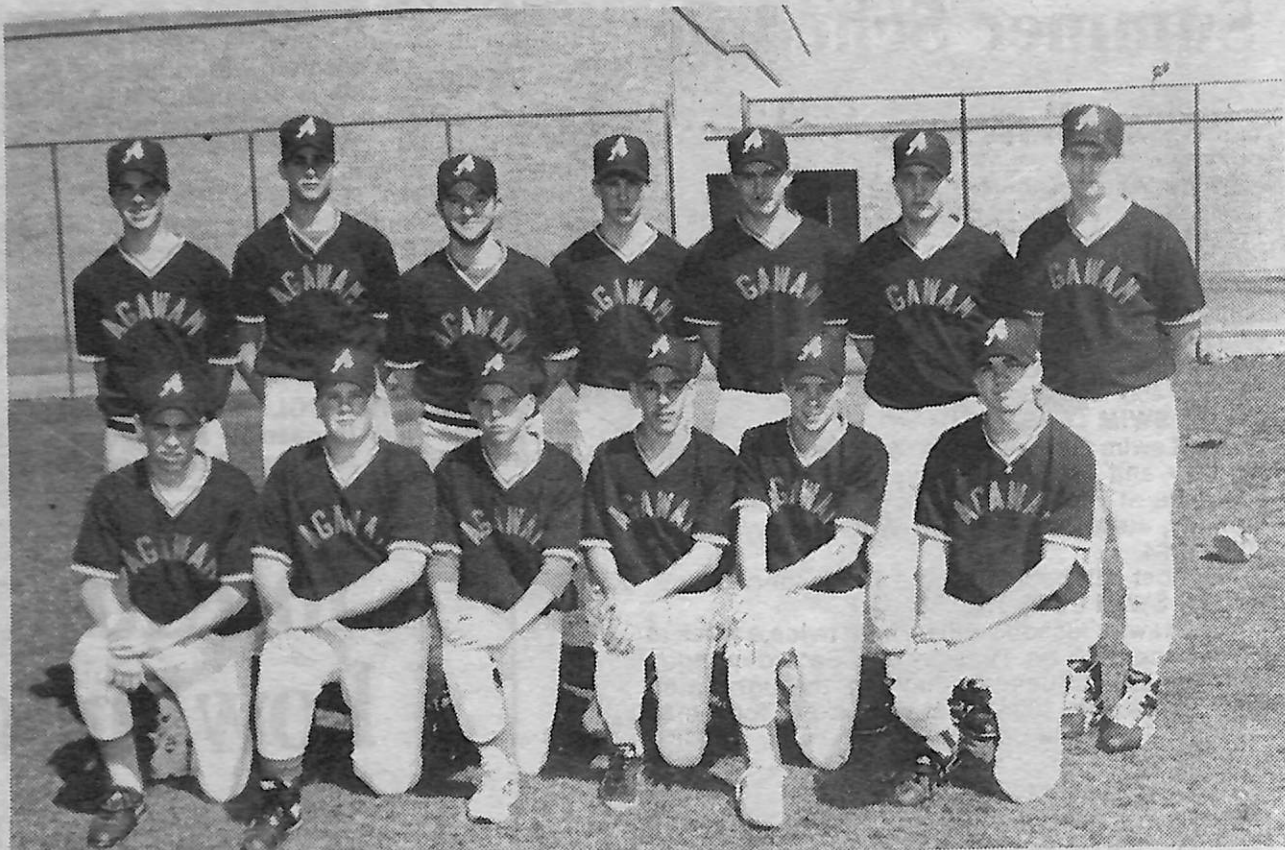
Schlaffer managed to place third in a hotly-contested 100. Schlaffer had a time of 13.14, but the winner of the race, Sharon Polastry of West Springfield, has a 12.75.

Others helping Agawam's cause were senior Rose Pignatere (400) and Carrie Janik (300 hurdles). Each turned in fifth-place finishes for the Brownies. Janik should become one of the premiere tracksters over the next three years, as she is only a freshman.

"We worked the kids really hard this week," girls coach Dean Vecchiarelli said. "Our kids ran their best times in the championship."

*Please remember that our deadline is every Tuesday at 12:00 noon. Thank you for your cooperation...*

## "The Young And The Restless"



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL freshman boys' baseball team. Back row, from left - Jim Flood, Jason Malone, Adam Kimball, Joe Dupelle, Chris Bitzas, Jamie Bruso, and Bob Johnson. Front row - Todd Godfrey, Steve Merklein, Sean Czepiel, Steve Rovithis, Steve Virella, and Tony Alfano. MISSING: Phil McGeaghan and Josh Maynard. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

### High School Baseball...

## Central's 7-2 Victory Over AHS Leaves Brownies Thinking About Next Year

by Mike Parent  
Advertiser News Correspondent

The Agawam High baseball team let out its last 1994 gasp on Tuesday afternoon before bowing to the Golden Eagles of Central High, 7-2 at Harmon Smith Field. Needing to win their last two games, the loss ended any chance the Brownies had for qualifying for the Western Mass. Division I Tournament.

The locals were stymied all day by Central pitcher Adam Sheridan. Sheridan went the distance, stranding six runners in six different innings.

Sheridan and Agawam starter Jon Jacobsen dueled for the first two innings. Jacobsen looked strong, ending the second by striking out the last two batters.

Jacobsen was aided in the field by some solid defense, particularly by shortstop Mike Dommage, who made a diving stop of a grounder up the middle. Jason Votakis had Agawam's first hit of the game, a one-out line drive to centerfield, but he was stranded at third.

Jacobsen ran into trouble in the third inning. Back to back singles left him with runners at first and second. After a shallow fly out to rightfield, Central's Joel Senez tripled to leftfield to score both runners.

Agawam tried to match the Eagles but were the victim of missed opportunities. The Brownies left two runners on in their half of the third and another runner was left on base in the fourth.

Central blew the game open in the fifth. After putting two runners on, another triple to left gave Central a 4-0 lead. A sacrifice fly to centerfield added another run for a 5-0 advantage. Then, three consecutive hits and a walk helped the visitors grab two more runs in the same frame.

Down 7-0, AHS mounted a rally of its own in the bottom of the fifth. With two runners on and one out, Jim Baldyga's grounder up the middle scored

two. But Sheridan settled down and retired the next two batters to get out of the inning.

Agawam mounted minor threats in the last two innings but came up empty. Brian Colby's liner to right got things started in the Brownies' sixth. But two infield pop-ups and a fielder's choice to second base stopped the rally.

Joe Cecchetelli led off the bottom of the seventh inning with a pinch-hit single to left. But the Brownie bats remained quiet. The last three batters were retired to end the game.

The loss left AHS at 10-9. A 59 percent winning percentage is needed to qualify for the tournament. But with only one game left at presstime, that is now out of reach for the Brownies.

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## Ag. Rec. Dept. Summer Schedule

The Agawam Recreation Department announces that registration for the following programs will begin on Monday, June 6th, 1994.

There will be no refunds of the program fee unless the program is cancelled. All programs are subject to change due to participation.

All programs will be cancelled on any day that we are experiencing severe weather. Notification will be placed on radio stations WMAS (1450 AM or 94.7 FM) and WPKX (97.9 FM). If you are still in doubt, call the Recreation Office at 786-0400, extension 456.

### ADULT SWIM LESSONS:

Adult swim lessons will be held twice a week on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 6:50 p.m. at Perry Lane Park pool, beginning on Monday, July 11th, through Wednesday, August 10th, 1994.

The cost will be \$25 for the 10 lessons.

### YOUTH SWIM LESSONS:

Youth swim lessons will be held twice a week at Perry Lane Park on Tuesday and Saturday mornings beginning Tuesday, July 5th, through Saturday, August 6th, 1994. Cost will be \$15 for the 10 lessons. Class will be 10:00 to 10:50 a.m., or 11:00 to 11:50 a.m.

The swim lessons will be offered to those children who are four years and older and who are not attending camp at Perry Lane.

### ADULT VOLLEYBALL - OPEN PLAY (NO CHARGE):

This is a recreational volleyball program geared for fun and exercise. The sand volleyball court is located behind the new Early Childhood Center next to the tennis courts.

**Women's Open Play:** Monday evenings, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., beginning June 13th for the summer months.

**Men's Open Play:** Tuesday evenings, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., beginning June 14th for the summer months.

**Co-Ed Open Play:** Wednesday evenings, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., beginning June 15th for the summer months.

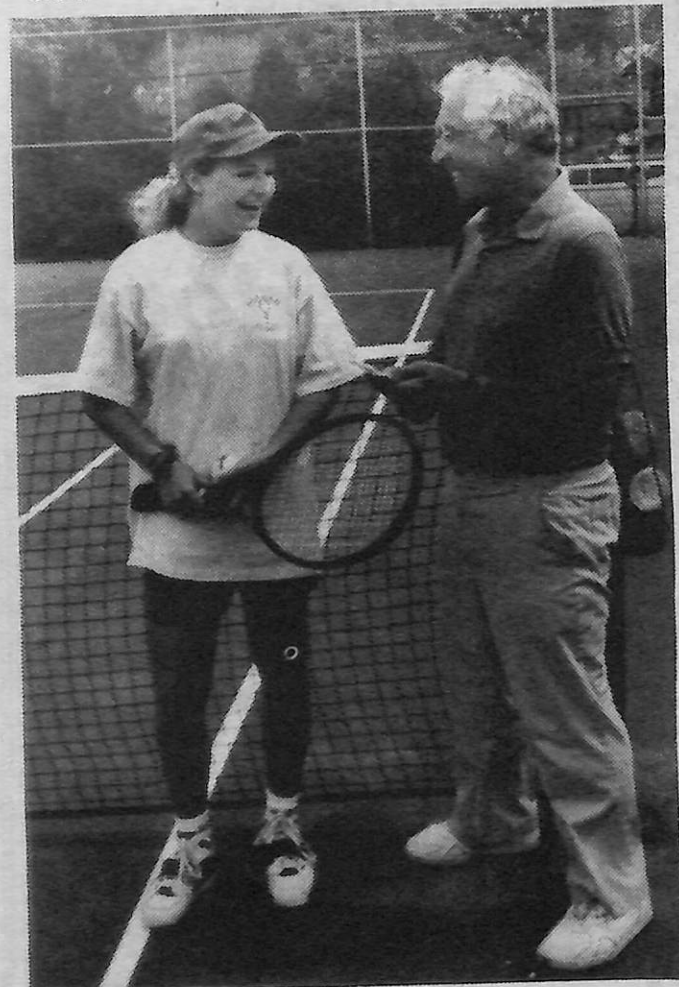
### TENNIS ANYONE?

### TENNIS LESSONS AVAILABLE:

Tennis lessons for children eight to 12 years; juniors 12 to 16 years; young adults 17 to 21; and adults and senior citizens will be offered this summer at Perry Lane Park.

Instructor will be Rudy Altobelli. Rudy is presently ranked fourth in singles and second in doubles in the senior division by the U.S.T.A.

**Adults/juniors 12 and up:** Beginning Monday, June 13, or Wednesday, June 15th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Each session will be for five weeks at \$15, with a maximum of 12 participants per session.



**WELL-KNOWN** United States Tennis Association player Rudy Altobelli of Agawam will be teaching tennis lessons for the Agawam Parks Dept. and will receive help from Yvonne Hodel, who is a senior at Agawam High School and the number two ranked girls' high school tennis player in Western Mass. Advertiser

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**Adults/seniors:** Beginning Tuesday, June 14th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for five weeks for \$15, with a limit of 12 students.

**Children eight to 12 years of age:** Beginning Tuesday, June 14th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for five weeks for \$15 per session, with a limit of 12.

**Young adults:** This is a special skills program offered for five weeks beginning Thursday, June 16th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$15 and is limited to 12 players.

### AGAWAM ADULT TENNIS CLUB:

The Adult Tennis Club held its first meeting on Saturday, May 21st, at the Perry Lane Park Courts at 1:00 p.m. This is an informal club designed to help promote tennis in Agawam.

It will meet every Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at the Park. Come out, meet new friends, have fun, and get a little exercise.

### PERRY LANE PARK/POOL FEES (1994):

Perry Lane Park is open to all residents year round (no fee). The fees and charges are for pool

and pavilion use.

All facilities such as the tennis courts, horse shoe pit, volleyball court, etc., are open to the public but can be reserved for clubs or groups who wish to reserve by calling the Recreation Office (786-0400, ext. 456).

### PERRY LANE PARK POOL:

The pool will be open on Father's Day weekend beginning June 18th (weather permitting), and will be open daily through Labor Day, September 5th.

Pool hours will be 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. Exceptions may be made for special group events or exceptionally hot weather.

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THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION held its Annual Winter Awards Banquet at the Junior High last month. Swimmers, and girls' and boys' basketball players on the various championship teams were all honored. From left - Dan Adamski, Amanda Fox, Michelle Wheeler, Steve Fox, Harold Cote, Kristen Patterson, Matt Albano, and Peter Vecchiarelli. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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## Agawam Little League Standings As Of 5/26

MAJOR LEAGUE		
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Mushy's Recreation Yankees	6	3
H.P. Hood's Giants	6	3
Schlaffer Chiropractic Indians	5	4
Rollaway Mets	5	4
Bridgeport National Royals	5	4
Valenti's Restaurant Red Sox	3	6
Hastie Fence Athletics	3	6
Soda & Pet Food City Dodgers	3	6
Lauren Lumber Braves	1	8
MINOR LEAGUE		
	W	L
VFW 1632 Red Sox	6	1
Bolduc Screen Printing Yankees	5	2
Teddy Bear Pools Mets	5	1
Mercolino's Bakery Giants	4	2
Agawam Lions Club Dodgers	3	3
Italian Sporting Club Indians	3	4
Polish-American Club Royals	2	5
Green Thumb Landscaping Braves	1	5
Commercial Disposal Orioles	0	6

### AAN Golf Tip Of The Week...

#### The World's Greatest Golfers Share Their Keys To Mastering The Game

Compiled by Jim Modzelesky, PGA  
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If you have a problem with your tempo, I think this key can really help you a lot.

## Senior Golf League Is Now Under Way At Ag. Country Club

Twenty 60 year-old or older golfers signed up to play in Agawam's first Senior's League at the Agawam Country Club.

The league is comprised of 20 players and will play matches on Thursday of each week. The league began Thursday, May 26th at 9:00 a.m. It is a nine-hole league. A two-man team, "A & B," is determined by handicap. A six-point system is used to determine the winners.

A banquet will be held at the end of the season to honor the winners, plus many prizes will be awarded.

Ray Charest, who organized the new Senior League, will be assisted by Bob Johnson, the record keeper, and Ed Coffee, treasurer, in addition to Ron Dunn, the golf pro at the Country Club, and Richard Mundo, executive of the Senior Citizen's Center.

## Western Mass Touch Football League Seeking New Teams

For registration or information on the 1994 Western Mass Touch Football League, please call commissioner Earl "Bumper" Donahue. He can be reached at 786-3910.

The League is looking for new teams as well as old. Leave your name, phone number, time to be reached, and name of the team you represent.

## Ed Carroll Sr. Golf Tournament To Once Again Help With Scholarship Fund

The Fourth Annual Edward J. Carroll Sr. Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament will be held on June 20th at 10:30 a.m. (registration) at Oak Ridge Country Club in Feeding Hills.

Through the success of this tournament and the many sponsors who attend, Riverside has been proud to have given 21 \$1,000 scholarships to its seasonal employees and their families over the past four years.

As founder of Riverside Park, Edward J. Carroll, Sr. made Riverside what it is today, with the help of many youths through the past 53 years. It is in his memory that Riverside established this tournament to be held annually in order to bestow on its employees some help that might make a difference in their lives.

Edward J. Carroll, Sr. always believed in kids and always supported them in any way to benefit their future, especially education.

Entry into the tournament is \$80 per person. Lunch at Oak Ridge and Tee Time is 12:30, cocktails at 5:30 at Riverside's Picnic Grove, dinner at 6:30, and at 7:30, a presentation of prizes and a Raffle Drawing.

Many great prizes will be given away, such as a trip to the Bahamas and a golf and dinner package, and many more!

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## Racing At Riverside...

### June Is "Fan Appreciation Month" At Riverside Speedway

June is "Fan Appreciation Month" at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, Massachusetts; and, to celebrate this special month, the quarter-mile facility is gearing up for some of the lowest prices in NASCAR auto racing and motorsports celebration features, including Banner Contests, Big Wheel/Electric Car Races, and Color Contests (all with cash prizes, savings bonds, stuffed animals, gifts, and much more).

The program is being presented for ages one through 15 with several classes. Contest winners will host "Raceweek," the radio show on WNNZ-640, and will also receive season race passes for 1995. The month will close with a June 25th (12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.) Pit Party that will allow the kids—with mom and dad—to meet and greet the drivers and feel and touch the race cars.

And, even better than that, the Pit Party will allow the kids to go for a ride in a real race car prepared for the event. There will also be pit tours and much, much more. For official "Fan Appreciation" rules, pick them up on race nights at the Program Booth.

On Saturday, June 4th, the month gets kicked off with Haymond/Snap On Tools Night. This is a four-division NASCAR special presented by Snap On Tools. It features 16-plus events—tour-type Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks. This event is a super saver night—just \$9.99 for adults, and (as always) \$2.99 for kids 12 and under. Gates open at 5:00 p.m., with racing set for 6:00 p.m. The pit fee is just \$15 for NASCAR members.

On Saturday, June 11th, it's time for the heated NAPA Auto Parts/Porter Chester Night—Double Point 50's. A four-division, 22-plus event featuring double-point races, this exciting evening will consist of the Mod tour cars running 50 laps; Late Models, 50 laps; Pro Stocks, 30 laps; and Strictly Stocks, 20 laps. This special event is sure to attract the best ... Reggie Ruggiero, Bobby G, Chris Kopec, Bruce Del, Ed Kennedy, Dan Avery, and more. For this race, adults are priced at \$12.99 each.

On Sunday, June 12th, it's another super thrills spectacular that's priced at just \$9.99 for adults. This event features a full-size Enduro, a figure 8 race, a four-cylinder Enduro, a half-ton truck race, a thrill show "demdure" Demolition race, the Police race, and real Pro 4 Modified racing, Strictly Stocks, Super Stocks, Legend Cars, and NEAR (New England Antique Racers) Club. Part of this event will be run rain or shine, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Entries will be accepted on race day from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; the pit opens at 11:00 a.m., and the gates open at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, June 19th, it's Budweiser Hat Night/ACME Auto Supply night with 16-plus events. Still, the big news is this is the night for the kids' Big Wheel/Electric Car races featuring cash prizes; be sure to bring your kids and equipment to race! Adults are just \$9.99, and the first 2,000 race fans get a free Bud race hat.

To conclude "Fan Appreciation Month" on Saturday, June 25th, a fan appreciation Pit Party will take place from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.; buy your race ticket early for just \$12.99 (adults). See the cars and ride in a real race car, and enjoy a trackside party with free giveaways (plus the \$100-to-win Banner Contest). The evening event will feature 16-plus events, including the Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks.

For additional information on the kids' contests and other activities slated for "Fan Appreciation Month," write to Riverside Park Speedway, P.O. Box 307, Agawam, MA 01001 (Attention: Mary), or call the speedway's 24-hour hotline at (413) 786-9300, number 4. Remember, Riverside Speedway races every Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m.

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## Stan Greger Becomes 1994's Second "Repeat Winner" In The Modified Division

On Saturday, May 28th, Stan Greger came from midfield to take the lead from rookie Doug Meservey on the bottom 17 laps in to win the Modified race in the Sunoco Race Fuels/ACME Auto Supply "Amalie Memorial" five-division special at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, Massachusetts.

A crowd of 4,731 waited between raindrops as Fran Principi led from the start in the Modified tour, 50-lap main event, paying \$1,200 to win. The event has four early cautions that took out former winner Chris Kopec.

While this was going on, Sunoco competitor Jeff Fuller had come from 20th behind Reggie Ruggiero and Steve Park (it was the battle of the red). During the first half of the feature, Brian Schofield and Ed Spiers also ran up front. Once the final laps were settling in, Greger was pressured but never got a real challenge; still, Meservey had to work off the pressures of Steve Park, Reggie Ruggiero, and Brian Schofield.

At the checker following Stan Greger (Manafort Const.) were second-place Doug Meservey (Citgo); Steve Park (Sunoco), third; Reggie Ruggiero (Haymond Law), fourth; and Brian Schofield (sponsor wanted), fifth.

Sixth through 10th in the Modified division were Jeff Fuller (Sunoco Ultra), Dave Berube (Leecher), Dan Avery (Porter-Chester), Ed Spiers, and Jim Houghton.

"I am not really interested in the title—I want wins. Jerry Marquis won a lot with this car, and I want to do the same," said Greger, who has become the second repeat winner in the Modifieds during the still-young 1994 season.

Barry Gray looked like he was going to be the first repeat winner in the Pro Stocks, as Tom Carey was really applying pressure. Then, late in the event, Carey and Gray touched, and Scott Bouley was right there to take the lead. Meanwhile, coming from the back was John Lobo.

Another great challenge came from Bill

Lauridsen, who also looked like an easy contender for his first win. And, Dave Carusso went high and came from the back.

At the checker it was Scott Bouley in first place, winning his first victory of 1994 in the Corner Larkins Pub car. (Naturally, Bouley was thrilled by his first-place finish and showed great excitement in victory lane.) Second through fifth were John Lobo (Wagner Rug), Bill Lauridsen (Bumper To Bumper), Dave Carusso (Blanc Cash), and Jeff Horn (Willington Pizza).

Rounding out the top 10 were Warren Brenn, Bennett Fuller, Tom Carey, Joe Barnes, and Rick Turcotte.

George Savary won the Pro Four Modified feature, leading from green to checker. He was never challenged for the lead.

Jerry Solomito was second over Paul Lamonica, followed by Joe LeMay and Ken Hirt to round out the top five. Sixth through 10th were Bill Gaston, Mike Petrizzo, Renee Dupuis, Ron Dell, and George Ruff.

John Seybold led the first three laps of the Late Model race, then Mike Bushior took the lead and was pressured by Fred LaForge, Gary Fiormanti, Steve Fifiel, and Marty Leary. Three-time winner Gee Perry and Ted Chalmers made contact, as NASCAR put Perry to the rear.

At the checker was Mike Bushior for first, followed by Fred LaForge, Gary Fiormanti, Steve Fifiel, and Marty Leary. Rounding out the top 10 were Brian Merchant, Gene McClain, Chris Wenzal, Gee Perry, and Ted Chalmers.

P.J. Pelc won his second race for 1994 in the Strictly Stock division. Al Leone was second, Scott Neleber was third, John Waterhouse was fourth, and Roy Houle was fifth.

Earning the sixth through 10th positions were Rob Valerio, Bruce Battles, Roger Fujimoto, Tom Dileo, and Chuck Alessio.

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Brian Schofield  
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Jim Dolan

### PRO STOCKS

26	Dave Caruso	26
24	Tom Carey	24
22	John Lobo	22
20	Dave Salzarulo	20
18	Tom Fearn	18
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14	Bill Lauridsen	14
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## S.H.A.A. Girls' 8-10 Softball Standings

	W	L	P
Valenti's	6	1	12
Kinsley Trucking	5	1	10
Polish Women's Club	2	5	4
Bosquet Builders	0	6	0

## S.H.A.A. Girls' 10-13 League Standings

Casa di Lisa	10
One Stop Redemption	6
Bosquet Builders	6
Agawam Lions	2
Polish Club Bingo	2
John's Trucking	0



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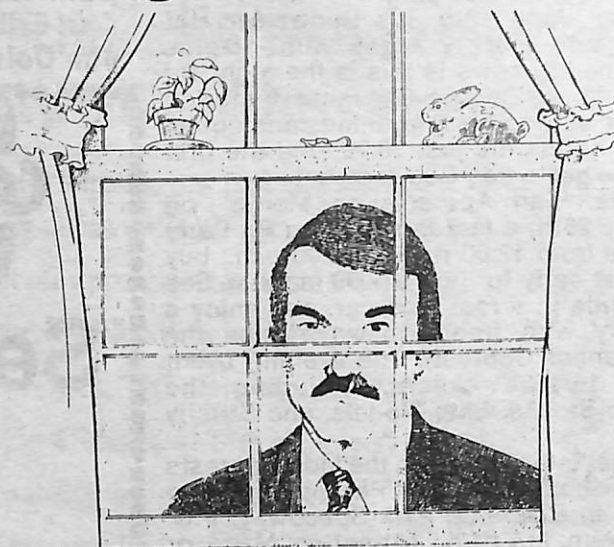
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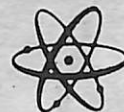
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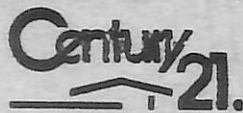
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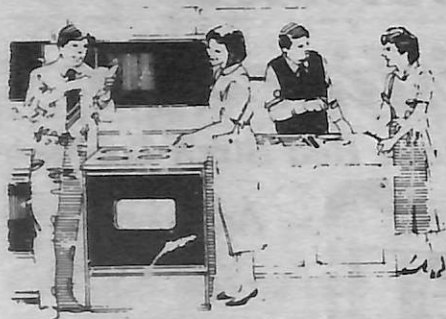
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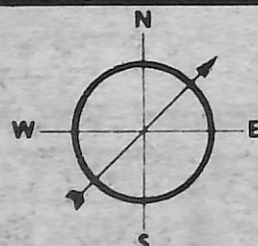
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"Wee Ones" need to pack a snack sack.  "Sports Carnival" is for 6-12 year old kampers and lasts from 9AM - 2PM.

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